





We Wish  
Everybody  
Everywhere  
A Happy  
and Prosperous  
New Year,  
And many thanks to  
our friends for their  
patronage.

NASH HDW.  
COMPANY

We appreciate the many favors  
that have been extended to us in  
the past, and hope that our friends  
will not forget us during the coming  
year of 1917. We wish to extend  
to them all the compliments of the  
season and wish them all a Happy  
New Year.

ABEL & PODAWILTZ CO.  
MYER FRIDSTEIN, Manager.

## 1917 Happy New Year

This bank has enjoyed a prosperous year and our  
officers and directors desire to extend sincere  
thanks to our many patrons, with best wishes for  
their happiness and continued prosperity during  
the coming years.

We also take this opportunity of again reminding  
the public that the Wood County National Bank  
stands ready at all times to assist and serve all  
worthy institutions. And reliable individuals of this  
community.

## Wood County Nat'l Bank

### OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

F. J. WOOD, President L. M. ALEXANDER, Vice President  
GUY O. BABCOCK, Cashier W. G. FISHER, Asst. Cashier  
E. ROENIUS, J. D. ARJIN, A. E. BENNETT, T. E. MULLEN,  
L. E. NASH, JUDSON G. ROSEBUSH

## An Appreciation

To Our Friends and Patrons:

We greatly appreciate the liberal patronage  
given us the past year by the people of Grand  
Rapids and vicinity. Next year we shall try just  
as hard to merit your dealings at our store.

Wishing all of our friends and patrons a  
Happy New Year, we remain,

Yours to serve,  
W. C. WEISEL.

### NEW ASSEMBLYMAN IS SOME RABBIT HUNTER

Marshallfield Herald: Right after the  
beginning of the new year the sena-  
tors and assemblymen who received  
a majority vote in the last election  
will pack their grips and with a dig-  
nity of purpose go to Madison to  
make laws for the balance of us poor  
suckers to break. Two now from  
this county will take their first  
lesson in the school of legislative  
work. They are Senator Isaac Whit-  
tlingham and Assemblyman Byron  
Whittingham. A banker and a  
man schooled in finances. It is  
therefore reasonable to expect that  
he will take no wooden nickels but  
he has no advantage over our friend  
Whittingham who never misses a  
place on the firing line when there is  
anything doing. He is a merchant  
and ex-postmaster and tall enough to  
put lightning rods in wigwags with-  
out the use of a ladder in Arpin  
where he has lived these past several  
years he has many friends and has a  
way of keeping them that beats out a  
thunderbolt. One day as Byron sat  
on a cracker box giving some  
brotherly advice to a few bosom  
friends the thought came to him that  
there was an easier way of capturing  
rabbits than standing on a cracker  
box and filling them with shot as  
they passed by or digging them out  
of a hollow log. He owned a good  
hound and why not make the rabbit  
hunt easier on him? He kept his  
plan a secret and the next day, with  
the hired man, an axe, a cross-cut  
saw and a pair of black pants they  
went out into the woods and in a sec-  
tion of country where rabbit tracks  
were thicker than buds on a maple,  
they began felling trees. On the butt  
end of each after the tree had been  
felled, Byron, with a paint  
brush, painted what to him resembled  
a hole in a log. It was rather  
atrocious but it worked even bet-  
ter than he expected. The hired man  
thought Byron had gone crazy but as  
he was working by the month he  
didn't quit how he put in his time,  
so he stayed with him. When every-  
thing was in readiness Byron told  
the man to start the hound on a  
warm rabbit track while he stood on  
a stump to watch the performance.  
No sooner had the dog began baying  
than rabbits everywhere in fear and  
trembling sat up and took notice that  
an enemy was in their midst. The  
nearest approach of the dog the  
greater became their desire to crawl  
in a hole and pull the hole in after  
them and as they scurried about to  
find a place of safety many of them  
mistook the painted black spot for a  
hole and dashed their heads out in  
a head-on collision. The scheme  
proved to be a regular gift enterprise  
and gave Whittingham enough rabbit  
meat to start a hamper for market.

—In talking over the automobile  
situation with Jensen & Ebbs and  
Mr. West, a representative of the  
Ford Motor Co., who was in this city  
last week, it is plain to be seen that  
there will be many disappointed Ford  
buyers if they wait until spring be-  
fore placing their order. The great-  
er part of the Ford Motor Co's out-  
put will be sold between now and the  
first of March, instead of during the  
months of April, May and June as  
has been the case in past years. They  
ascribe this condition to the increas-  
ing popularity of the Ford car, the  
great prosperity of the country, espe-  
cially the south (which has enjoyed  
twenty cent cotton), and also the  
possibility of a raise in price which  
looks very probable as many other  
car manufacturers have announced  
or will announce an increase of  
prices to take effect very soon.

M. J. Gordon, who has had charge  
of the Marling Lumber Co's yard for  
several years, has resigned his  
position.



### A Bad Smash

does not scare us in the least, for  
we can fix you up no matter what  
the complaint. We make a special-  
ty of Ford repairs and carry a  
large stock of parts.

Oldest garage in Wood Co.

### GEO. HUNTINGTON,

Opposite the East Side City Hall,  
Grand Rapids, Wis.



### Shirts—Collars Laundered Right

What's more aggra-  
vating than a shirt  
that comes back from  
the laundry only partially washed and poorly  
ironed—and a collar  
with rough edges  
and a dingy color?  
We launder your  
shirts and collars the  
way we want our own  
—absolutely perfect.

Normington Bros.  
The Launderers

### ALD. GETTSLAFF ANSWERS SUMMONS

The people of Grand Rapids were  
pained and shocked on Wednesday to  
hear that Alderman Chris Gettslaff  
had passed away at his home that  
morning about noon, after an illness  
of only a few days. Mr. Gettslaff had  
been attending to his business at the  
Kellogg Bros. east side office up to  
within two days of his death, and  
very few of his friends knew that he  
was seriously ill, and hence the an-  
nouncement of his death was all the  
more surprising. He was taken sick  
first with a fainting spell which sub-  
sequently developed into neuralgia  
of the heart.

Deceased was born in Prussia, on  
the 24th of December, 1858, and was  
consequently 58 years old on Christ-  
mas day. He came to this country  
in 1874, and after living in Penn-  
sylvania for a couple of years, moved  
to Wisconsin and settled near Wood  
county. On the 13th of December,  
1883, he was married to Miss Flora  
Schacht in the town of Grand Rapids,  
and soon after this moved to Grand  
Rapids. Since coming to this city he  
has been engaged in some branch of  
the lumber business, and during the  
past 26 years has been manager of  
the Kellogg Bros. east side yard. Mr.  
Gettslaff was a man who was liked by  
all who knew him, and was respected  
in every way. He was one who had  
the welfare of the community at  
heart, and during the past fourteen  
years has been a member of the city  
council, and whenever any subject  
of importance came up he was always  
found on the right side, and for this  
reason his views were pretty gener-  
ally respected. In the death of Mr.  
Gettslaff the city has lost one of its  
most respected citizens and the family  
has the sympathy of the community  
in their affliction.

Besides his wife, Mr. Gettslaff is  
survived by two sons, Henry and  
Charles, and a daughter, Mrs. Fred  
Eberhardt. Mr. Gettslaff of the town of  
Grand Rapids is a brother, and Mrs.  
Julius Kruger and Mrs. Charles  
Kilgo of this city are sisters.

The funeral will be held Sunday  
afternoon from the home at 1:30,  
and later from the east side Lutheran  
church at 2 o'clock, Rev. Pautz to  
conduct the services.

### MINIARD-SHYMANSKI

Miss Ruth Miniard and Mr. Frank  
Shymaniski were married Wednesday  
morning at eleven o'clock at the  
home of the bride's parents, the care-  
fully being performed by the Rev.  
C. Becker. They were accompanied  
by Miss Pauline Shymaniski and Mr.  
Harry Miniard, brother and sister  
of the contracting parties.

Both of the young people are well  
known in this city. The bride being  
the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex  
Miniard of Grand Avenue, and they  
have many friends here to wish them  
happiness.

After partaking of a wedding din-  
ner, the happy couple left on their  
wedding tour, at the conclusion of  
which they will go to Manitowish,  
Michigan, where they will make their  
home. The Tribune wishes with their  
many friends in extending con-  
gratulations.

### DEATH OF RUDOLPH GETTSLAFF

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ostrusko re-  
ceived word last week of the death  
of their son, Rudolph Gettslaff, a  
brother of Mrs. Ostrusko. Mr.  
Gettslaff had gone up in that country  
to work in the woods, and had died  
on the 24th, and at that time it was  
not known which of the legions was  
Mr. Ostrusko left on Christmas day  
for Winchester and found upon his  
arrival that Mr. Gettslaff had died  
from an attack of typhoid fever. The  
remains were brought to this city  
and will be buried Friday afternoon  
from the home of Mr. Ostrusko at  
407 3d Avenue south. Deceased was a  
single man 39 years, 4 months and 9  
days old and had made his home in  
this city practically all his life.

WANTED—Competent girl for gen-  
eral housework. Mrs. Ray Lovv,  
Telephone 617.



I have for sale 14 head of Reg-  
istered Percheron Horses, all  
black, ranging from weanlings to  
8 years old. Five stallions and  
the rest mares. Also one Reg-  
istered Belgian Stallion, sorrel with  
silver mane and tail coming 4 year  
old. Will sell at farmers prices,  
for cash or on time.

N. G. RATELLE  
Rudolph, Wis.

If some of these long faced re-  
formers ever discovered that there  
was a laugh in a story they would  
quit reading it.

SMITH & LUZENSKI.  
Quality Shoe Fitters. West Side

In keeping with the Holiday  
spirit, we wish to express our grate-  
tude for your Good Will during  
1916, and cordially extend to you  
the seasons greetings and hearty  
wishes for a Happy and Prosperous  
New Year.

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### LIVING COSTS ON FARM

Value of Food, Fuel, and Use of the  
House for Average Farm Family

Many a farm is yielding at least a  
small profit, when, according to the  
latest bookkeeping tally, it seems to  
be a losing proposition. This para-  
dox is explained by the facts brought  
out in a bulletin just issued by the  
department, entitled, "Value to Farm  
Families of Food, Fuel and Use of  
House." These items, namely, food,  
fuel and shelter, which every farm  
furnishes to the farm family without  
money cost, are the factors which  
strict bookkeeping does not take into  
account and which constitute the dif-  
ference between profit and loss on the  
farm which seems to be losing money  
when in reality it is breaking even or  
perhaps making a little profit.

The facts brought out in this bul-  
letin were gathered by a survey of a  
thousand families representing widely  
separated sections in 14 states. Fig-  
ures were gathered covering the value  
of food, fuel and shelter for the  
families of the district. It was found  
that the value of food consumed per  
family was found to vary directly  
with the amount of meat used. As  
the relative value of meat consumed  
increases, the relative value of food  
consumed per family increases.

Families living on their own farms  
reported higher consumption of food  
and a larger percentage of food de-  
rived directly from the farm than do  
the living on rented farms.

The average quantity of fruit  
consumed annually per family was found  
to be 122 quarts; of vegetables, 32  
quarts.

EVERY COMFORT—EVERY LUX-  
URY EN ROUTE TO  
CALIFORNIA

—When you travel to California  
this year, your comfort, convenience  
and enjoyment will be the most im-  
portant factors to consider—there-  
fore you will want to choose the  
train that provides the utmost in  
service.

The height of travel comfort is af-  
forded by "The Pacific Limited," the  
premier no-extra-fare train of the  
Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul  
Railway to California. This train is  
steeply equipped, luxuriously appointed  
and provides the highest class of ser-  
vice to both Los Angeles and San Fran-  
cisco.

Also there is the convenience of  
arriving at either terminal in day-  
light—feature greatly appreciated by  
women traveling alone or with  
children.

In the spring, return via the Pacific  
North Coast, and through the  
great scenic Northwest over the "Mil-  
waukee Limited," the premier no-extra-  
fare train of the Chicago, Milwaukee &  
St. Paul Railway to California.

For California literature, time of  
travels and connections, and all par-  
ticulars desired, apply to local agent  
of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul  
Railway, or to the nearest agent of the  
CHICAGO, ILL.

CELEBRATE FORTIETH  
WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Alex Jones, who is employed on  
the Madison State Journal, came  
home Christmas to visit his parents,  
Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Jones, and also  
to attend the 40th wedding anniver-  
sary of his parents. Miss Mary Jones  
is also home from Stevens Point to  
visit her parents. Alex left Wednes-  
day for Chicago on business after  
which he returns to Madison, where  
he will celebrate the fortieth anniver-  
sary for the United Press Association.

ATTENDED BROTHERS' FUNERAL

S. L. Brooks returned on Monday  
afternoon from a funeral which was  
called by the death of his brother,  
who was accidentally killed several  
days before that. The deceased was  
named Harry Brooks and was a man  
39 years of age and had been in this  
city several times in the past. He  
is survived by a wife and two children.

Mr. Brooks was working about a  
wood saw when he met his death, his  
clothes catching in the revolving saw  
of the saw, he being thrown to the  
ground with such force that his  
neck was broken. The accident oc-  
curred so quickly that those working  
in the immediate vicinity knew nothing  
about it until it was all over.

EDITH COULTHART MARRIED

Miss Edith Coulthart, a former  
resident of Rudolph, was married on  
December 13th to George F. Kelton,  
of Los Angeles, California, where  
they will make their home. Miss  
Coulthart has made her home at Los  
Angeles for some years past.

George W. Brown of Pittsville was  
among the pleasant callers at the Tri-  
bune office this morning while in the  
city on business. Mr. Brown reports  
that his son Fred has been quite sick  
with pleurisy for several days past,  
but is some better at this writing.

Mrs. Wm. Paape, wife of deputy  
sheriff Wm. Paape of Marshfield, died  
at the hospital in Marshfield Sunday  
after a brief illness with pneumonia.  
Deceased was 29 years of age and is  
survived by her husband and two chil-  
dren. Before moving to Marshfield  
several years ago, Mr. and Mrs.  
Paape resided at Vesper.

AGED LADY PASSES AWAY

Mrs. Anna Johnson, who has made  
her home in the town of Grand Rap-  
ids at the home of her daughter,  
Mrs. L. E. Peckham, died on Sunday  
at the age of 81 years. Mrs. John-  
son had been in failing health for  
some time past, advancing age being  
the cause of her trouble. The re-  
mains were taken to Melrose, this  
state, where they will be interred.

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### DO YOU LIKE YOUR GOOSE STUFFED?—SEASON'S ON

The stuffed goose season is on at  
and near Watertown and the big fat  
birds will soon be placed on the mar-  
ket. The price this year is 4 cents  
a pound, but is scheduled to be 5  
cents per pound above the weight of the  
goose. If, for instance, a goose  
weighs 27 pounds, the price is 31  
cents a pound. In years past some  
farmers living in the vicinity of Wa-  
tertown have received as high as  
\$1,000 for a flock of 120 geese. The  
goose are fed on corn for a month or  
so and then for three weeks before  
marketing are put in small pens and  
packed that there would be quite a  
contest over the matter of location,  
nothing of a sensational character  
developed, and the result is that the  
school house will be located on the  
site spot where the old school was  
located.

As the old location is near the cen-  
ter of the district, it will probably  
come nearer to accommodating all of  
the patrons than would if placed in  
any length except by building, for the  
reason that an ordinary appropriation  
would not build enough road of this  
kind to pay for the trouble of starting  
the proposition.

The subject of the road is built by  
the issuance of bonds, they are paid  
for while the roads are being used,  
and there are some roads to use, all  
of which appeals to the average tax-  
payer. It would seem as if the plan  
of bonding the county would be the  
best way to go about building the  
roads in Wood county and then build  
their right, rather than the scheme  
that has prevailed in the past.

NEW OFFICERS WILL START  
IN ON MONDAY, JANUARY 1

The new county officers at the  
court house will start on the job next  
Monday morning, January 1st, this  
being the first Monday in January.  
The only officers who will remain  
there will be W. J. Conway, county  
judge, and A. B. Beyer, clerk of the  
court.

Sam Church will take charge of  
things in the county clerk's office,  
and Nate Anderson will turn over the  
keys to the vault to Chas. John-  
son, while in the register of deeds  
office Henry Ebbs will have charge  
of affairs.

Over at the jail John Normington  
will assume charge of that institu-  
tion, and no doubt things will con-  
tinue along in their usual routine  
without a ripple.

DEATH OF MRS. NARROWS

Mrs. Julia Narrows, one of the  
older settlers in this county, died at the  
home of her daughter, Mrs. Jacob  
Beaver, Sunday evening, after a  
lingering illness. Deceased had been  
in poor health for some time past  
and had been confined to her bed  
since last June.

Mrs. Narrows was 83 years of age  
and had made her home with her  
daughter since the death of her hus-  
band about eight years ago. Besides  
Mrs. Beaver, there is another daugh-  
ter, Mrs. I. Spies of Seattle, Wash.  
Mrs. Narrows had many friends in  
this city who were sorry to hear of  
her death, notwithstanding the fact  
that she had lived to an advanced  
age. She was a member of the Wo-  
man's Relief Corps, and had been  
active in the work connected with  
that institution until incapacitated by  
sickness.

The funeral was held Wednesday  
morning from the Catholic church,  
services being conducted by the Rev.  
Wm. Reding.

CAN NOW SEND CLOTHING

E. P. Arpin, president of the Bel-  
gian Relief Fund if this city, has re-  
ceived word that it is now possible to  
send second hand clothing to the suf-  
fering Belgians. This was prohibited  
for a time, presumably because it  
was considered that the importation  
of second hand clothing into that  
country had lived to no good pur-  
pose, but it would now be changed  
their minds is not known.

It is also stated that the supply of  
clothing in Belgium is going to run  
short before the advent of spring  
and that lots of the people in that  
country will soon be suffering with  
cold.

In view of these facts the  
people of this country are asked to  
contribute what clothing they can to  
relieve the suffering. Second hand  
shoes will also be acceptable by the  
committee.

IN DURANCE VILE

James R. Walsh, familiarly known  
by his more intimate friends as  
"Coon," was arrested last week on  
complaint of Mrs. Lillian Wagner,  
who claims that Walsh forced an en-  
trance to her home and committed  
liberties with her person. The as-  
sault, according to Mrs. Wagner, oc-  
curred on December 16th, but Walsh  
was not arrested for a week after  
the assault had taken place. On Wed-  
nesday, and upon his appearance on  
that day an adjournment was taken  
until January 3rd. As Mr. Walsh  
could find nobody to go on his bail  
last week for the sum of \$1,000, he  
was obliged to return to jail to wait  
until his trial comes off.

DIED AT MERRILL

Mrs. Patrick Griffin, a former re-  
sident of Grand Rapids, died at Mer-  
rill on Christmas day, cause of death  
being tuberculosis. Deceased, whose  
 maiden name was Katherine Henry,  
 was born in Grand Rapids in 1839.  
 She died on Tuesday, January 16th, at  
 the age of 77 years. The re-  
 mains were interred this morning,  
 services being held in the Catholic  
 church.

CRANBERRY MEN TO MEET

The thirtieth annual meeting of  
the Wisconsin State Cranberry Grow-  
ers Association will be held in this  
city on Tuesday, January 16th, be-  
ginning at 9:30 o'clock in the morn-  
ing. The meeting this year will be  
held in the G. A. R. hall on the east  
side.

REMEMBER THEIR EMPLOYEES

The express companies remem-  
bered their employees at Christmas  
time and the result was that each  
man receives a full month's salary  
in addition to his regular stipend.  
It is needless to say that the remem-  
brance was appreciated by the men.

EMPLOYEES GET A BONUS

The Nekoosa-Edwards company  
surprised their employees in a very  
agreeable manner on pay day last  
week, when each one of the office  
force received a check which repre-  
sented ten per cent of their last  
year's salary.

WILL BEAT THE ARPIN

The annual game of ten-pins was  
held Tuesday afternoon between the  
Nashas and the Arpins and the result  
was a victory for the Nashas by two  
games out of three.

It was the fifth year that these  
two families have contended for the  
championship in the bowling world,  
and it stood two to two up to the last  
half of the ninth inning, when the  
Nashas took a brace and won out.  
Those composing the teams are as  
follows:—L. M. Nash, L. E. Nash,  
W. E. Nash, George Nash and Chas.  
Nash.

Arpins—Harold Arpin, George Ar-  
pin, Dan Arpin and Ed Arpin.

INJURED AT PAPER MILL

Mike Fahrner, who works at the  
Consolidated mill, had his shoulder  
dislocated one day last week and re-  
ceived other bruises by falling from  
the bottom of a hopper in which he  
was working. Ford Wahlstrom, who  
was working with him, escaped with-  
out injury, altho both men fell a  
distance of sixteen feet or more and  
struck in several feet of water. Mr.  
Fahrner's injuries have given him a  
considerable trouble and it is pos-  
sible that he may be taken away for  
an X-ray examination.

GETTING ALONG NICELY

George B. McMillan was in Mil-  
waukee this week and while there he  
called on Rev. R. J. Locke, who is re-  
ceiving treatment in Sacred Heart  
Sanitarium. Mr. McMillan is getting  
along nicely and steadily improving  
in condition, and it was the opinion  
of the attending physician that he  
would be able to return home next  
week. Mr. Locke is getting along  
nicely and his many friends here will  
be glad to hear that he is getting  
along so nicely.

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### NUMBER OF COUNTIES WILL ISSUE BONDS

Never before in the history of the  
state has there been such a move-  
ment toward the building of roads as  
will occur during this coming year.  
Several counties in the state have al-  
ready voted to issue bonds during the  
coming year and others are voting on  
the proposition. It seems that the  
matter of good roads is one that is  
appealing to the public more than it  
ever did before.

The bonding idea is pretty generally  
accepted now as being the proper  
plan for securing roads and there  
are several reasons for this. Some  
of the counties in the state have been  
engaged in road-building for a num-  
ber of years past, and today they are  
able to show a solution of the prob-  
lem that they were when they started  
in. They have a number of patches  
of















## A Mother's Burden

A mother who suffers kidney trouble, finds it hard to keep up her daily work. Lame, backache, sharp pains when stooping and "blue" sharp pains when sitting, make home life dreary. Active kidneys bring back vigor, health and a pleasure in family duties. If the kidneys are weak try a box of Doan's Kidney Pills.

## A Wisconsin Case

Mrs. A. M. Goss, Mendota, Wis., writes: "My husband and I had pains in my back and legs for some time. I could not walk and I was very lame. I tried many remedies but nothing helped. I then tried Doan's Kidney Pills and after taking a box I feel much better. I can now walk and do my usual work. I am certainly grateful."

Get Doan's at Any Store, 50c a Box  
**DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS**  
POSTER-MILBURN CO., BUFFALO, N. Y.

Green's August Flower  
Most men think they need a cocktail or a drink when their stomach is out of order and they feel bad with nervous indigestion or constipation. That they really need is one of three drops of "AUGUST FLOWER" which quickly restores the stomach, cleansing the whole system generally.

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Hereditarily.  
"The football player who did such fine work is the son of a professional coach."

Important to Mothers  
Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, that famous old remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of **Dr. J. C. Fitch**.

Children Cry for Fitch's Castoria  
CURIOSITY "KILLED A CAT"

But in this Instance It Brought Nickels to a Lively Salesman.

Out of a shop entrance he dashed with a small length of cane, with which he manfully attacked a rump.

He struck it repeatedly, then thrust it upward as far as it would go. Next moment the passer-by heard the familiar squeaking of an imprisoned rat. Women fearfully ran away with uplifted skirts; men and boys groined, and the squeakers became shriller.

Curtis drew up by the curb and advice came from all quarters. "Get a long stick, mate!" "Bring a dog, someone!" "Let him come out and we'll get him!"

But the hunter took no notice. He meant to catch that rat in his own way. At length, when a crowd of about 100 had gathered, he turned round and produced a tiny whistle from his mouth.

"Ladies and gentlemen," he cried, "the funniest toy of the modern age is boys and girls for hours. Infatuate every bird every known, as well as mice and rats. Tons of laughter when used at a mixed party. One noked each, gentlemen!"—New York Globe.

Two Rights Common to All.  
Of course, you not only have a right to your opinion, but you also have a right to keep it to yourself.

She is a poor cook who is unable to make good.

Childish Craving  
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Grape-Nuts  
No danger of upsetting the stomach—and remember, Grape-Nuts is a true food, good for any meal or between meals.

"There's a Reason"

## FIRST PRINCIPLES OF SAVING

Men Must Look to the Future If There Is to Be Any Progress Made by the World.

Socialists claim that the world would be better off if every man received and consumed all that he produced so that nobody could accumulate wealth or become more prosperous than his neighbor. If all men were equally strong, intelligent, honest and industrious, such a state might be possible; but the superman must come first.

If a small group of men living by themselves save nothing and do no work to improve their future, they will not progress. They would have to build and otherwise create real wealth for future use, or they would remain barbarians. The aborigines of America, Australia and most of Africa lived from hand to mouth for ages. American Indians were practical socialists, and they made no progress, though they were physically strong and intellectually bright. They remained barbarians because they gave no thought to the future.

If a few men, beginning with nothing more than means of bare subsistence, put aside every year tokens of value, such as gold, acceptable to themselves, or build houses, make tools, cloth and other things of value that can be kept for future use they will improve their condition in life and grow rich in proportion to their industry and thrift. The accumulation of gold or other money is a secondary matter. Real wealth can be accumulated in other ways, but money is a convenient medium for accumulating values and has become indispensable to our form of civilization.

When wealth has been accumulated the community is benefited by its existence. As it grows, roads can be built, pure water can be brought into the towns, etc. Such progress is impossible if there is no store of wealth from which to draw to pay or sustain the men who do the work before it becomes productive. It may be said that other members of the community could give part of the wealth they produce while public works are being constructed. That is true, but it would be the exact accumulation of wealth to which reference is made, and its outward and visible sign would be the roads and the waterworks. By giving part of their earnings or products for such a purpose they put aside something of value for future use, in this case roads and a water system.

Someone has to save if any progress is to be made, and the more that save the faster will be the rate of progress and the greater the prosperity of the community. What the masses lack is correct understanding of their common interest.—New York Commercial.

Never Knows What He Wants.  
The substance for the man who has acquired great financial resources usually is that he doesn't know what he wants. Possessing the resources and feeling the normal necessity to have recourse to them, he looks about for something to want, and he selects the most costly thing. The acquisition of this most costly thing always involves, in practice, the separation of the rich man from society. Thus, he will acquire a large estate, or several large estates, and cut himself off from the world by gates, doors, miles of drive, hedges, keepers, manials, and secretaries. Or he will acquire a 2,000-ton yacht and cross the Atlantic privately, though less quickly, less comfortably, and even less privately than on a great liner. Or he will keep a private orchestra, instead of being seen at concerts. All which, though magnificent, is antisocial and silly, and is secretly felt to be so by the rich man when he happens to wake up in the middle of the night and can't go to sleep again.—Woman's Home Companion.

Generous Man  
A Scotch comedian whose fragility is as notorious as he himself is famous, had an engagement in Glasgow some years ago, and as he had a friend who could put him up for the week, no hotel was going to get free advertising through its residence within its walls.

His host had just become the proud possessor of a son and heir, but his pride in the kid did not prevent him from giving the star all the attention the most exciting scene could expect.

The Saturday night brought a taxi to the door, and while the host was carrying down the luggage the comedian, after bidding his hostess good-bye, pulled a handful of silver out of his pocket and said: "Do ye ken, Mrs. Whitford, if I had a copper I would leave it for the hair!"—Saturday Evening Post.

Prisoners Married by Proxy.  
Four French prisoners of war in Germany, now in the camp at Stendal, were married recently to their respective fiancées in France. The arrangement was completed through the Spanish embassy in Berlin. Exactly at the time at which the wedding ceremony, with the brides absent, was being performed in the prisoners' camp at Stendal, another ceremony, with the bridegrooms absent, was performed in France.

Think This Over.  
What the average man calls dignity, isn't. It is usually self-defense. The swollen wearer of the alleged dignity knows instinctively that he is a titmouse, and doesn't want to you to get intimate enough with him to find it out.—Life.

Worse Domestic Ones.  
"I suppose Blinks is now expecting some of the worst horrors of war!" "Hardly. He enlisted to get away from them."

In the Restaurant.  
"That man yonder is from a zoo?" "How do you know?" "I heard him order a pony of brandy, a pouffe-cane and some hot dogs."

Desperation.  
"Is this high cost of living worryin' you?" asked Meandering Mike. "It's drivin' me desperate," replied Plodding Pete. "I'm almost tempted to go to work."

Frightened Off.  
"I wish I had one of those very hard faces."

"Then maybe the barbers wouldn't be so persistent about wanting to massage it!"—Louisville Courier-Journal.

A Leap Year Risk.  
Tom-Miss Plumpleigh has proposed to me three times, but somehow I can't make up my mind to accept her. Jack-Well, old chap, you are talking desperate chances. Suppose she should stop proposing?

## A GIFT FROM SANTA



John Smith says: "The extreme cold, frost, rain, and snow caused us to keep Christmas among the savages, where we were never more merry than we were among the savages. Fish, wild fowl and more bread than ever had better fires in England." Kipling, too, refers to the memory of Yuletide in his "Black Sheep" with the couplet, "At home they are making merry, twist the white and scarlet berry." And so we should guard the house with trailing pine, hang the wreaths of holly in the window and the mistletoe 'neath the chandelier. It helps others if it does not help you.

The Christmas Spirit.  
Let the spirit of Christmas find its way to men, come into your heart and be merry and glad. But in the midst of your merry-making and charitable thought, do not forget that there are many to whom Christmas will bring no cheer. These are the hopelessly ill in hospitals, the human driftwood in the reformatories, the tiny inmates of the orphanages. If you are able to, bring a bit of cheer—practical cheer—into the dead life of someone confined in one of these institutions. Do not think such an effort is a waste of time or out of date. Indeed, it will be the kindest act you can do at Christmas time—to think of someone who has lost his place, or is not yet able to take his place in the great world.

Boston's Fine Example.  
Last Christmas in Boston the mayor requested everyone in the city to leave their window shades up on Christmas eve to help light the city. Such a cheerful glow as it gave to old Boston street and Commonwealth avenue. Down in the Public gardens the city trees, a stately fir, bedecked with myriad colored electric lights, while the hand played old familiar carols that veered into popular street songs that the crowd scattered. The scene was significant of Christmas now being a cosmopolitan festival holding the heart of Puritan New England, whose holy of holies has heretofore been Thanksgiving. This is right, and as it should be, since ours is a land of religious liberty and Christmas is the season of "peace and good will to all mankind."

True Friendship.  
What is a sure key to the confidence of the other person? Some people invariably win that confidence; others seldom do. A little girl of nine was telling her mother with great enthusiasm how much she liked a certain friend who was just seven years of age. In spite of the difference in ages there was a deep, warm bond between them. "Why is it you like her so much?" the mother asked. "Well, mother, there are a great many reasons," was the little girl's reply; "but one thing is, she's the understandingest person I ever met." She did not need to say more. The older friend had put herself in the nine-year-old's place, thought her thoughts, and then, without "talking down" to her, made her feel that they two had common interest and could talk together as equals. We can always do that in our dealings with others—if we will love and think. No one gets into the "understandingest" class by accident.

A Little Baby Sister.  
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## A Quiet Christmas

By Charles Frederic

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IT HAS BEEN my observation that most of the trouble that many men get into comes from doing things for other people. A man who makes a

man who makes a mistake generally meets it; and, if he does not, one often meets that, too. At a picnic it is the man who offers to carry the water who gets his feet wet, or sits down in the splash pit. It is the good-natured man who has the most of good nature, for he is always getting into trouble that is properly the property of somebody else. Christmas, especially, offers many golden opportunities to the fellow who is willing to oblige.

There was the case of Henry Carruthers, for example. "Fine!" said Henry, when he received an invitation to spend Christmas with the Joneses at a suburban villa in a suburban village. Jones had been an office mate of his. Then he married and, having made a little money, some say by the marriage, he retired to the suburban villa aforesaid. Carruthers remained a bachelor, a teller, and a city dweller. But he would have been willing to change at least two of those conditions if he had dared to think that Jones' sister, Miss Abigail, would be willing to change her title from "Jones" to the somewhat classier one of "Carruthers."

"Come up and spend Christmas with us," wrote Jones. "It will be rather a quiet Christmas, but Abigail will be here, and we shall try to find something to keep your time and your mind occupied."

A quiet Christmas had no terrors for Henry. And there was Abigail. So he wired a day letter, the substance of which was "Yes."

The train was on time, and so was Henry. They whizzed him out to the bungalow in the dusk and a wheezy car. Abigail, looking lovely, met them on the porch.

"Welcome to our city," she said. "But I'm afraid you will find it frightfully quiet here."

"Not when you are present," replied Henry gallantly—followed by a sudden realization that maybe that didn't sound as gallant as he had intended.

At the dinner table Jones unfolded the great plan. "We've fixed up the basement. The chute comes in off the only protection. Back into it he climbed and lay there quietly."

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confused about him concealed a red costume of some sort, and a bag. The bag contained sundry packages with sundry sharp corners, but this was known only to the mysterious stranger.

He found the window unlocked, according to specifications, but to his astonishment it opened instead of inward. He also made a horrifying discovery. He had expected to drop lightly to the basement floor, and his way to the stairway, whose location had been described to him, and make his way upstairs to surprise the family. But Jones had said nothing about a coal chute. There was a chute with slides that were unremovable. A flicker of flame shining through the mica of the furnace showed that the way was clear. But what would a coal chute do to his Santa Claus outfit? To chute or not to chute, that was the question.

But decided him. He distinctly heard the creak of the back gate. "Good gosh!" thought Henry, "here comes somebody!" And, without pause for further thought, he seized the bag and shot the chute into the unknown.

He landed in a coal bin nearly empty of coal, but plentifully garnished with dust. A minute later an interior door opened from the region above, excited voices were heard, and a ray of light shot into another part

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Two Wants to Be Filled.  
"Sit down, Mr. Stylo," said the eminent publisher to the tattered scraw who had just entered his elaborate sanctum. "I have read your manuscript, and I think I shall publish it."

"Ah!" cried the starving genius. "Do you really mean that?" "Yes. It seems to me a good book, and I think it will do a long-time want."

"I'm glad to hear you say that. And, by the way, could you advance me two dollars and a half on account of my royalties?"

"Oh, I think so—I think so. But why do you want two dollars and a half?"

"I want to begin filling that long-felt want you spoke of."

Forbearance.  
"How does the theory of evolution impress you?"

"Well, I'm not so sure that I approve of it. I know some men I might suspect of having descended from an orang-outang. But why should I mutilate the orang-outang?"

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The net earnings for all the railroads of this country for the past fiscal year totaled the staggering sum of \$1,207,632,000. The same high authority reports that never before in the history of our railroads has there been such large railroad earnings, both gross and net incomes, as during the present year. Even the railroading companies are steadily advancing, shippers must be shown why a \$200,000,000 increase in net earnings will not take care of all advance expenses and still leave a fat profit for the railroad companies.

## WISCONSIN IS 70 YEARS OLD

With the autumn of 1916 Wisconsin as a governmental entity attained the traditional life of three score years and ten. The beginning of the establishment of the government of Wisconsin territory was made on July 4, 1836, when, at Mineral Point Governor Dodge and Secretary Hornor took the oath of office. The economy consisted of the principal features of a colony. On the 4th of July celebration in the then crude and turbulent mining town.

In October following the first legislature of the new born territory convened at old Belmont, Lafayette county, in a story and a half frame building. Wisconsin's first capital is now but a memory. The capitol building has long been in use as a horse stable, and even the very name of the place was removed some fifty years ago, to grace an adjoining community.

## THE PAPER SITUATION

Latest Developments Warn of Wisdom of Placing Orders Early

A dispatch just received from Washington as to paper supply for the government is very timely, and which should indicate to all paper buyers the gravity of the present paper situation.

Each year the United States government places the largest individual paper contract made in this country. Naturally, every paper distributor is anxious to secure this government business. But, in spite of the size of the order, the government is not willing to pay more than the market price for the paper. This is the reason why the government has just been informed by the paper mills that they will not be able to supply as much paper as they are coming year as for the past year—even at an enormous increase in price.

Dr. O. H. Briggs, head of the government general supply division, says: "Lately reports show a crisis in the paper industry. We are using 100 different kinds of paper. Since the war the price has jumped about 100 per cent and will continue to soar. Government contract prices for fine grades of typewriter paper last year was 12c a pound. Now we have to pay 20c."

When the most sought after paper buyer in this country has trouble getting what he needs, it is time that all paper consumers made sure of their supplies—no matter how large or small—for some months to come. Paper delivered in this country is in short supply, congested railroad service and the unprecedented scarcity of all kinds of low priced paper commodities should give warning as to what may be expected in the future by those who do not exercise their foresight and buy now.—McClellan's Bulletin to the Printing Trade.

## BIRON

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Croteau and two children of Mosinee spent Christmas here with Mrs. Croteau's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Akey. Lawrence Akey of Rudolph and Gustaf Johnson of Chicago, who have been visiting here one day last week. John Novack has gone to Chicago to work.

A. L. Akey is having lights and a phone installed in his house. Fred Shank has gone to Green Bay where he will enter the hospital for an operation for gall stones.

The Bart Gaffney family are having electric lights in their home. Herman Zager has been on the sick list for the past week.

A. L. Akey has added to his collection of pets a woodchuck and two grey squirrels. Mr. Akey says that he wants now a peacock and a couple of horned toads, and then he will be ready to give an exhibition.

W. J. Robert and family of Mosinee are visiting their parents in this town over the holidays.

Joe Klappa is having electric lights put in his house.

Archie Shearrier and W. O. Barton are installing electric lights in their homes.

Fred Newby was on the sick list a few days the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Simkoeki spent Christmas with relatives.

Martin Gleibke and wife spent Christmas at Kellner.

Geo. Prusynski, who has been in Kenoza for some time, came home to spend Christmas.

John Hauser and family of Mehan spent Christmas with the Shearrier family.

Misses Genevieve and Jessie Gaffney arrived home last Thursday to spend their Christmas vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Fisher spent Christmas at Rudolph with friends and relatives.

## KEEP COWS RECORD

Value of Cow-Testing Associations Are Demonstrated—Appearance Often Deceptive in the Dairy Cows

That the appearance of a dairy cow can not be depended on to indicate her production of milk is illustrated by a demonstration conducted under the auspices of the Dairy Division of the department with a herd of nine cows at the National Dairy Show held recently at Springfield, Massachusetts.

A year's record of milk and butter fat already had been made for all the cows of the herd. During the show complete records of production and food consumption were kept and in every case the previous records were duplicated. Some of the cows were of poor dairy type, yet were good producers; others were of good dairy type, yet were poor producers; still others of similar appearance had greatly different records. Of the last named class were Nos. 8 and 9. Many experienced stockmen selected No. 9 as the better of the two, but the records showed that for the last year No. 8 gave 8,445 pounds of milk and 146 of fat compared with 4,273 lbs. of milk and 128 of fat for No. 9. This served as an object lesson to the thousands of people who daily viewed the demonstration that good dairy type is not always associated with large production and that poor dairy type does not indicate lack of large yield.

"What does it cost to keep records?" was the common question of the dairymen. In cow-testing associations, where the above-quoted records were made, the charge is at 50c a month for each cow, and in addition the board of the tester for one day each month. With feed, labor and live stock so high, it certainly is imperative to eliminate every unnecessary expense like the "board" or "boarder" cow that fails to pay for even her feed.

In the big room at the dairy show where the cows were stanchioned were several hundred comfortable seats. Here several times each day well-known dairymen from various parts of the country talked to the large audiences on dairy problems, illustrating their remarks with the cow-testing demonstration herd. Especial emphasis was laid upon the value of records in economical management.

Cooperative bull associations were carefully described and their many advantages explained. That it was possible to have high-class bulls of the finest breeding for the use of a dairyman with only a few cows seemed to many dairymen as too good to be true, especially when the cost was even less than in the case of scrub bulls. In this connection the charts that illustrated the conditions at Belmont, Wis., before and after the organization of a bull association, elicited much interest. At that place for a yearly investment of \$7.50 each the members have the use of five \$240 bulls for 10 years.

On the walls of the demonstration room were pictures of famous dairy animals, charts showing results of record keeping, etc. Adjoining were skeleton milk or dairy houses, with the slides and machinery finished to show the construction; also a model of a dairy barn and of a silo. In the milk houses was dairy equipment, and a man in charge answered questions about dairying and explained the construction of these and all other kinds of dairy buildings.

At regular periods demonstrations in the sterilization of milk utensils were given by the demonstrators. The following described the Farmers' Bulletin 748; these demonstrations were well attended.

There was also keen interest in every part of the demonstration, and many dairymen from the fact that about 5,000 people listened to lectures and fully 15,000 viewed the exhibits.

Miss Sophia Lindstrom arrived on Saturday from Strauge Prairie and will visit home folks.

Just before leaving last Thursday for Duluth, Minnesota, where he will visit relatives.

Mrs. Willard Grossmann has gone to Duluth to visit her parents.

Eric Anderson and family of South Dakota are here and have taken possession of the farm which they purchased here last fall.

Mrs. Frank Krause left on Thursday last for Chilton where she will visit relatives for a few days.

Mrs. Eric Newman of Grand Rapids was a week and visitor here.

John Lindquist left Wednesday for Bessemer, Michigan, after spending a week here visiting with relatives.

Albert Larson of Port Edwards is spending the holidays here with relatives.

Misses Agda Lindstrom and Edith Bloomingfield who are teaching school at Velpen, are here to spend two weeks vacation at their respective homes.

Merrill Hedon who is employed at Mehan, is here for a brief visit.

Mr. and Mrs. John left on Saturday for Nashville to spend a few days.

Mrs. Frank Knoll of Kellner is visiting at the Joe Rokus home.

Chas. Anderson and Andrew Lindquist left Thursday for Merrill where they will be employed.

Misses Ella, Anna and Ruth Henderson of Grand Rapids are visiting here.

William Kronstad was brought home last Friday from the hospital at Merrill.

Garrett Loomans, Treasurer.

NEW ROME

The sleighing is improving.

Mr. Patfield made a trip to Nekeosau, Sunday taking Miss Nina Christianson along to spend a few days with home folks in Grand Rapids.

The program in District No. 1, 2 and 3 were well attended and all report them very nice.

Walter Hoof commenced hauling bolts Saturday.

Bart Davis took a load of wood to Nekeosau Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Blackburn moved into Arne Amundson's house last week.

Joe Corbin and son McKinley took a trip to Grand Rapids last Wednesday.

Miss Isla Pike who has been in poor health is improving rapidly.

# WISCONSIN FARMERS LOSE BY BAD ROADS

Millions Go into Mud and Ruts Every Year.

FARMERS HAUL 20,000,000 TONS EVERY YEAR

Dairy Farmers Travel 60,000,000 Miles a Year.

Wisconsin is spending approximately ten million dollars a year on her roads or highways—\$5,000,000 under State Aid Law and \$5,000,000 by the towns. The highways are one of the biggest public propositions in the State of Wisconsin. As a matter of fact, considering the extent of their use, they are the biggest proposition. We build court houses and prisons and asylums, and even the state capitol, but none of them come home to each of us so much as the roads and the school house. Charles Sumner once said that good roads and good schools were the forerunners of all progress.

Someone has said that there are one hundred and eighty thousand reasons why we should have good roads in Wisconsin—because we have that number of farms in Wisconsin. In addition to that, there are 3,200 reasons why we should have first-class roads—better than the average state. These 3,200 reasons are the 3,200 cheese factories and creameries which we have in the State. These require more trips to market than needed in the average corn or grain state.

In the dairy industry alone it is estimated that the farmers travel 60,000,000 miles a year.

Every one of these farms is producing grain, dairy products, live stock, running into millions every year. Our dairy products alone are valued at over a hundred million dollars a year, which means that a hundred million dollars worth is hauled over our roads every year as a result of dairy farming.

As a matter of fact, each farm is a big producing factory and to operate profitably it must have switching facilities for its freight—roads over which to transport its product to the warehouse, where it is put on the rail lines and carried to the markets of the world.

The State Dairy and Food Department and State Agricultural Commissioner give us some interesting figures on the big freight business the farmer must have over the road.

In 1915, approximately 2,000,000 tons of dairy products were hauled to and from the creameries, cheese factories and condenser—milk, cream, whey and buttermilk.

Taking the tonnage of thirteen of our big agricultural products, barley, oats, wheat, rye, hay, potatoes, sugarbeets, beans, peas, clover-seed and timothy, we find this ton to about 12,000,000 tons. Add to this the other haulage from farms to market, and it easily runs between fifteen and twenty million tons.

The average haul will be about six miles.

Take out your pencil and paper and figure the loss on this tonnage caused by bad roads—the loss per ton per mile. What are the services of a farmer and his team worth per hour? What would you charge for your team and hired man per hour? How many hours do you lose on the road by bad roads? Isn't your load out in two by poor roads? Are you making two trips to market, where you could make one trip, if the roads were good? Are you wearing out your teams, and wagons and harness, and even your self—driving over poor roads?

How often have you been prevented from driving to market when the market was good by bad roads and how much have you lost by it.

You begin to see why we have roads. Don't you think we need better ones? Are you going to keep on driving in the old rut? If the farmers of Wisconsin lose two hours a year in going to market by bad roads, they are losing 30,000 working days a year.

Think over this, and you will come to the conclusion that if the money you are losing on bad roads every year is spent in building good roads it would build good roads throughout the State of Wisconsin.

Don't you think that after all good roads are an investment rather than an expenditure—that the taxes you pay for them bring you a bigger investment than any investment you make in taxes?

Wisconsin is famous for its splendid farms—behind the fences is the highest test of efficiency. Isn't it time that we got this efficiency between the fences also?

Twenty-six million horses in America consume \$2,000,000,000 worth of food yearly, more than the cost of operating the 250,000 miles of railroads. With the development of the explosive type of motor engine it is going to be found that the horse is an expensive means of transportation.

We are living in an age of efficiency and the most conspicuous example of American inefficiency is the bad roads.

LUMBERMEN BEAT PACKERS

The Government Forest Laboratory has "broken the market" for waste logs. Discarded packing materials at the laboratory, in the use of former waste saw mill refuse, were so important that upon the announcement of the discovery and its success in commercial experiments, the price of logs dropped from \$12 per ton to \$35. As 200,000 tons are used yearly in the manufacture of felt roofing, the discovery meant much to the roofing manufacturers, besides providing a new outlet for saw mill waste.

"We have beaten the packing house," declared Director Howard F. West of the laboratory, "and the packing house has long been able to market everything but the squeal of a hog. We have been able until recently, to use everything but the squeal of a hog, but now, before the packers have been able to commercialize the squeal of the hog, we have found a use for the bark."

While corn culture under droughty conditions is largely a matter of late, the development of the explosive type of motor engine it is going to be found that the horse is an expensive means of transportation.

Mr. and Mrs. George Galloway and daughter autoed to Reedsburg last Saturday. Grace Hancock is assistant postmaster during their absence.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Potter and Mrs. Stuart are visiting in Grand Rapids.

Jesse Sparks of Dewhurst and Millie Diehn of our village were married in St. Paul last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Diehn is visiting in her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Diehn.

A few of our young people attended the program at Hay Creek school last Saturday evening.

Mrs. H. F. Anderson is slowly improving.

Frank Franson and Loran Bills were business callers in Grand Rapids last week.

Mr. Watson was in town Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hancock visited her parents at Pray over Sunday.

Clinton and Johnnie Hancock are out on the Goebel place for a few days.

## COST OF BOARDING HIRED HELP

It costs \$128 per year to board a hired hand, according to estimates furnished to the Department of Agriculture by 1,000 farmers representing widely separated sections in 14 states. The averages derived from these estimates are embodied in Department Bulletin 49, recently published, entitled "Value to Farm Families of Food, Fuel, and Use of House."

It was found that the total annual cost per person of board for hired help varied from \$104 in Vermont and Pennsylvania to \$162 in New Jersey, and that the percentage of this cost paid out in cash varied from 15 per cent in North Carolina to 43 per cent in California. This percentage is about one-third in the eastern section studied, about one-fourth in the corn belt states, and still less in the southern states.

A year's record of hired help boarded varies considerably with variations in farming conditions. For example, among the families visited in New Jersey, hired help averaged 9.6 of the total annual report of 9.4 in North Dakota 1.1, and in California 0.8. In other words, in New Jersey the average family boarded one man for 7 months, in Maine one man for 5 months, in North Carolina one man for 6 months, and in California one man for 4 months.

## SOY BEAN A PROMISING CROP

Notable progress has been made in bringing about the commercial utilization of soy-bean seed for the manufacture of oil, meal, and various more or less complex products, according to the annual report of the Chief of the Bureau of Plant Industry. The soy bean, the report states, is well adapted to the whole cotton belt, and indeed to the whole corn region. In the corn belt it grows as well as in the cotton belt, wherever the acreage of cotton has been reduced. The immature bean seeds make a very delicious vegetable and are canned with ease. As such as soy beans can be more cheaply produced than any other bean seed, it is believed that there is a large field for the canning of green soy beans. Efforts are now being made to induce canning factories to make the product on the market. In the growing of the soy bean and in manufacturing products therefrom the United States can successfully compete with the Orient.

## CONTROL CLOVER SICKNESS

The results so far obtained in experiments in clover-sick regions, located in the State of Wisconsin, in cooperation with the Indiana and Wisconsin experiment stations, indicate that in the cases investigated the incorporation of certain green manures, together with other soil treatment, accomplishes a control of this trouble.

## MECHAN

A happy and prosperous New Year is wished to all.

The teacher and school gave an interesting Christmas program at the school house last Friday afternoon. The school is now having a two weeks vacation.

There is quite a lot of sickness in this locality of late, and especially since the sudden fall of the temperature. The sickness is for the most part gripe and nothing serious at the present time.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Beadle of Brion spent Christmas at the home of Mrs. Beadle's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Parks.

Mr. and Mrs. Gooden and son of Port Edwards, spent Sunday and Christmas at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson.

John Hauser has moved his family into the Plains farm which R. Ogilvie recently purchased. Mr. Hauser will act as overseer.

The consolidated schools will have a two weeks holiday vacation.

Jack Kufayev, arrived home last Friday from Prairie du Chien to spend his vacation.

Any pretty woman can make a fool out of a man if she isn't married to him.

We don't know in what month she took her first bath, but Eve was the original September Morn.

NOTICE TO PROVE WILL AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

State of Wisconsin, County Court, Wood County—In Probate.

In re estate of Arthur Sicks, deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the term of said court to be held on the 10th day of January, 1917, at the court house in the city of Grand Rapids, county of Wood and State of Wisconsin, will be held and considered the application of Sussie Sicks to admit to probate the last will of said Arthur Sicks, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the term of said court to be held at said court house on the 10th day of January, 1917, at the court house in the city of Grand Rapids, in said county and State of Wisconsin, will be held and considered the application of Sussie Sicks to admit to probate the last will of said Arthur Sicks, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that all such claims for examination and allowance must be presented to the court on or before the 10th day of April, A. D. 1917, or be barred.

Dated December 10th, 1916.

By the Court, W. J. CONWAY, County Judge.

J. J. Jeffrey, Attorney.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT

Wood County Court—In Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Frederick Pfeiffer, Deceased.

On reading and filing the application of John H. Rugen, Administrator with Will annexed, of the estate of Frederick Pfeiffer, deceased, representing among other things that he has administered the said estate, and praying that a time and place be fixed for examining and allowing his account, and for the appointment of such persons as are by law entitled to the residue of the said estate, be given to all persons interested, by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks, in the Grand Rapids Tribune, a newspaper published in said county, before the day fixed for said hearing.

It is ORDERED, That said application be heard before this court, at term thereof to be held on the 10th day of January, 1917, at the court house in the city of Grand Rapids, in said county and State of Wisconsin, and that the residue of the said estate, be given to all persons interested, by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks, in the Grand Rapids Tribune, a newspaper published in said county, before the day fixed for said hearing.

Dated this 19th day of December, 1916.

By the Court, W. J. CONWAY, County Judge.

J. J. Jeffrey, Attorney for Estate.

NOTICE OF WISCONSIN IN COUNTY COURT FOR WOOD COUNTY

In re estate of John J. Raymer, deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at the special term of said court to be held 10th day of January, 1917, at the court house in the city of Grand Rapids, Wood County and Wisconsin, there will be heard and considered the application of Frances Raymer for admitting to probate the last will of said John J. Raymer, deceased, late of the city of Grand Rapids, Wisconsin.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that all such claims for examination and allowance must be presented to the court on or before the 10th day of April, 1917, or be barred.

Dated December 10th, 1916.

By the Court, W. J. CONWAY, County Judge.

Chas. E. Briles, Attorney for Estate.

## RUDOLPH

NOTICE

I will be at the Plitz hardware store every Tuesday in January.

Wm. Plitz, Treasurer.

We wish all a happy and prosperous New Year.

Mains Tuesday made our roads a bit slippery.

Mrs. Ryan and daughter went to their home in Stevens Point Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. K. J. Marceau, daughters Madeline and Margaret, returned home Tuesday from Stevens Point where they spent Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Clark and three children went to Merrill Sunday to spend a week visiting.

Martin Lipke is taking a vacation from his duties as depot agent.

A letter from Mrs. Mary Anne to gladden the John Wilkins home on Saturday, December 16. Mrs. Bird from Grand Rapids is caring for the mother and babe.

Theresa brought a new baby girl to the home of Harold Clark on Thursday, December 13.

Chas. Margeson and daughter Jessie spent Christmas at the Harold Clark home in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Gokey came down from Mosinee to spend Christmas at the Nick Marceau home.

Mrs. O. Akey visited from Sunday night Monday evening with her sister, Mrs. H. Grashorn, in Junction City.

Harold Babcock, who is employed at the Suwanee Lumber Co's office, spent Sunday and Christmas with his parents in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Wagers are visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jones, in Park Falls.

Miss Myrtle and Irwin Van Abel of East Troy are visiting at the Theo. Van Ert and H. VanDenBerg homes.

Miss Minnie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Joosten, has returned from a two weeks visit in Little Chute.

Miss Elsie Perron has returned to her home in Fond du Lac after spending several weeks here at the home of her aunt, Mrs. J. Akey.

Trufield Akey and the misfortune to lose his little black driving horse Friday night during the exercises at the school. He had it in the John Akey barn and one of Mr. Akey's horses kicked it and broke its leg, so it had to be killed.

Nek Ratelle was a Stevens Point caller last Thursday.

Frank Sharkey of Mosinee has read the J. J. Raymer will.

The teachers of the consolidated school had a very nice Christmas program at the school house last Friday evening. The little ones as well as the larger pupils did fine. A very pretty Christmas tree stood in the corner and Santa Claus gave the children nuts and candy at the close of the program. The room was crowded.

Christmas services were held in the Moravian church on Sunday afternoon. There was a large audience present in spite of the storm. Recitations were rendered by Cella and Justus, Marie Hassell, Bernice Akey and Melvin Plitz. Helen Justus also sang a pretty song. Rev. H. B. Johnson preached on the vacation.

Two-fold Purpose of the First Advent Service will be held next time on January 14. The annual church council will also be held on that date.

Frances and Annie Hiertl spent Christmas at the home of their brother in Port Edwards.

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Steltzer of Grand Rapids spent Sunday and Christmas at the Relfer and Steltzer homes.

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### A Mother's Burden

A mother who suffers kidney trouble, finds it hard to keep up her daily work. Lamebacks, backache, sharp pains when stooping and "blue" nervous or dizzy spells, make home life dreary. Active kidneys bring back vigor, health and a pleasure in family duties. If the kidneys are weak try a box of Doan's Kidney Pills.

### A Wisconsin Case

Mrs. A. M. Goss, Mondovi, Wis., writes: "My back ached all the time and I had pains extending from my hips into my shoulders. I couldn't sleep well and for days I couldn't see to work. Finally, I got a box of Doan's Kidney Pills and tried using them and all the ailments disappeared. I am certainly grateful."

Get Doan's at Any Store, 50c a Box  
**DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS**  
FOSTER-MILBURN CO., BUFFALO, N. Y.

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But the hunter took no notice. He meant to catch that rat in his own way. At length, when a crowd of about 100 had gathered, he turned round and produced a tiny whistle from his mouth.

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Of course, you not only have a right to your opinion, but you also have a right to keep it to yourself.

She is a poor cook who is unable to make good.

### Childish Craving

—for something sweet finds pleasant realization in the pure, wholesome, wheat and barley food

### Grape-Nuts

No danger of upsetting the stomach—and remember, Grape-Nuts is a true food, good for any meal or between meals.

"There's a Reason"

### FIRST PRINCIPLES OF SAVING

Men Must Look to the Future If There Is to Be Any Progress Made by the World.

Socialists claim that the world would be better off if every man received and consumed all that he produced so that nobody could accumulate wealth or become more prosperous than his neighbor. If all men were equally strong, intelligent, honest and industrious, such a state might be possible; but the superior must come first.

If a small group of men living by themselves save nothing and do no work to improve their future, they will not progress. They would have to build and otherwise create real wealth for future use, or they would remain barbarians. The aborigines of America, Australia and most of Africa lived from hand to mouth for ages. American Indians were practical socialists, and they made no progress, though they were physically strong and intellectually bright. They remained barbarians because they gave no thought to the future.

If a few men, beginning with nothing more than means of bare sustenance, put aside every token of value, such as gold, acceptable to themselves, or build houses, make tools, cloth and other things of value that can be kept for future use they will improve their condition in life and give rise in proportion to their industry and thrift. The accumulation of gold or other money is a secondary matter. Real wealth can be accumulated in other ways, but money is a convenience that standardizes values and has become indispensable to our form of civilization.

When wealth has been accumulated the community is benefited by its existence. As it grows, roads can be built, pure water can be brought into the towns etc. Such progress is impossible if there is no store of wealth from which to draw to pay or sustain the men who do the work before it becomes productive. It may be said that other members of the community could use part of the wealth they produce while public works are being constructed. That is true, but it would be the exact accumulation of wealth to which reference is made, and its outward and visible sign would be the roads and the waterworks. It is giving part of their earnings or products for such a purpose they put aside something of value for future use, in this case roads and a water system.

Someone has to save if any progress is to be made, and the more that save the faster will be the rate of progress and the greater the prosperity of the community. What the masses lack is correct understanding of their common interest.—New York Commercial.

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She is a poor cook who is unable to make good.

### Childish Craving

—for something sweet finds pleasant realization in the pure, wholesome, wheat and barley food

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No danger of upsetting the stomach—and remember, Grape-Nuts is a true food, good for any meal or between meals.

"There's a Reason"

### A GIFT FROM SANTA



John Smith says: "The extreme cold, frost, rain and snow caused us to keep Christmas among the savages, where we were never more merry nor had more good oysters, fish, flesh, wild fowl and good bread nor ever had better fires in England." Kipling, too, refers to the memory of Yuletide in his "Black Sheep" with the comment, "Alas! those who are making merry, twist the white and scarlet herry." And so we should garland the house with trailing pine, hang the wreaths of holly in the window and the mistletoe 'neath the chandelier. It helps others if it does not help you.

**Boston's Fine Example.**

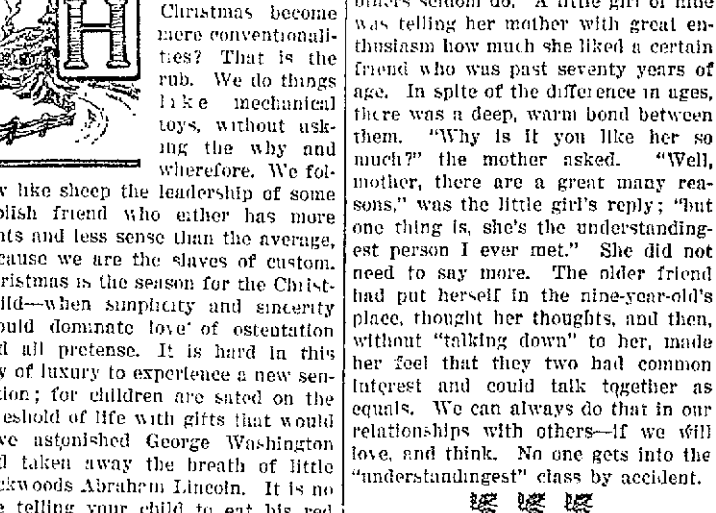
Last Christmas in Boston the mayor requested everyone in the city to leave their window shades up on Christmas eve to help light the city. Such a cheerful glow as it gave to old Beacon street and Commonwealth avenue! Down in the Public gardens the city was enjoying its municipal Christmas tree, a stately fir, bedecked with myriads of colored electric lights, while the band played old familiar carols that veiled into popular street songs before the crowd scattered. "The scene was significant of Christmas now being a cosmopolitan festival holding the heart of Pontian New England, whose 'holy of holies has heretofore been Thanksgiving. This is right, and as it should be, since ours is a land of religious liberty and Christmas is the season of 'peace and good will to all mankind.'"

### WHY NOT REVIVE OLD CUSTOMS?

By CASSIE MONCLURE LYNE.

ARE the customs of Christmas become more conventionalized? That is the question. That is the rub. We do things like mechanical toys without asking the why and wherefore. We follow like sheep the leadership of some foolish friend who either has more cents and less sense than the average, because we are the slaves of custom. Christmas is the season for the child—when simplicity and sincerity should dominate love of ostentation and all pretense. It is hard in this day of luxury to experience a new sensation; for children are sat on the threshold of life with gifts that would have astonished George Washington and taken away the breath of little backwoods Abraham Lincoln. It is no use telling your child to eat his red apple and seek his stick of candy with a thankful heart if little Bobbie next door owns a motorcycle and a real pigskin. Precious poor fun will your little Mary Jane find in her rag holly if Inez Doris has a bisque French doll that can talk. And so we are happy or miserable, poor or rich by contrast; those comparisons that are obvious if obvious.

### A LITTLE BABY SISTER.



**Yule Log Is Gone.**

The old-fashioned season of fun and frolic has been replaced by a meaningless, worthless celebration. The Yule log has gone out, and there is no fireplace for old Santa Claus to scramble down and leave his gifts of simple joys for unsuspecting childhood. The steam-heated home, the sterilized urchin, the pure-fueled laws, all forbid the painted sugar cuts and dogs whose green backs would have put any parrot to shame.

Yet how beautiful in retrospect is the memory of some Christmas of the long ago, when, like Tiny Tim, who gathered around the simple table and looked forward with joy to the homecoming of all the family, the wonderful dinner of goose and the loving greeting, "God bless us all!" That was a wealth such as no Scrooge could possibly buy! That was the spirit which prompted Dickens to say, "Though it has never put a scrap of gold or silver in my pocket, I believe it has done me good, and I say, 'God bless it!'"

**We Should Hang Garland.**

The singing of carols in English villages was a good old custom and ought to be revived, as well as the lighting of the Yule log on Christmas eve, for the memory of the English Christmas lingers ever in the British heart, wherever he may be. In the early days at Jamestown, Va., the cradle of English civilization on this western continent, and defeats what the pilot would otherwise do; keep one in peace while bringing one through in safety. Our Pilot never had an accident in all his time-and-eternity experience. Let us give up trying to help him; let us give up even wondering or questioning whether he will bring us safely through the fog. Why not enjoy his piloting every moment of the way?

**Trying to Help Christ.**

Helping Christ is restless business. It does not help him; and it does not help us; and it hinders both. A Christian woman taking a steamer trip west to her husband: "I think we're run into a fog—I am not sure. I do hope, now. You know how I always help the pilot along, by looking out of the window most of the night." Such a night is not very restful, is it? Helping the pilot that way helps him not at all, dispels no fog outside but deepens the fog in one's mind and heart,

### A Quiet Christmas

By Charles Frederic

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IT HAS BEEN my observation that most of the trouble that many men get into comes from doing things for other people. A man who makes a use generally meets it; and, if he lingers on, often meets that, too. At a picnic it is the man who offers to carry the water who gets his feet wet, or sits down in the squash pie. It is the good-natured man who has the most need of good nature, for he is always getting into trouble that is properly the property of somebody else. Christmas, especially, offers in its golden opportunities to the fellow who is willing to oblige.

There was the case of Henry Carruthers, for example. "Fine!" said Henry, when he received an invitation to "spend Christmas with the Joneses at a suburban villa in a suburban village. Jones had been an office mate of his. Then he married, and having made a little money, some six by the marriage, he retired to the suburban villa aforesaid. Carruthers remained a bachelor, a feller, and a city dweller. But he would have been willing to chance at least two of those conditions if he had dared to think that Jones' sister, Miss Abigail, would be willing to change her title from "Jones" to the somewhat drier one of "Carruthers."

"Come up and spend Christmas with us," wrote Jones. "It will be rather a quiet Christmas, but Abigail will be here, and we shall try to find something to keep your time and your mind occupied."


A quiet Christmas had no terrors for Henry. And there was Abigail. So he wrote a dry letter, the substance of which was "Yes."

The train was on time, and so was Henry. They whizzed him out to the bungalow in the dusk and a wheezy car. Abigail, looking lovely, met him on the porch.

"Welcome to our city," she said. "But I'm afraid you will find it frightfully quiet here."

"Not when you are present," replied Henry gallantly—followed by a sudden realization that maybe that didn't sound as gallant as he had intended. At the dinner table Jones unfolded the great plan. "We've fixed up the

### Abigail Herself Led the Rescue Expedition.



joiliest scheme," he declared with enthusiasm, "and you are just the fellow to put it over for us!"

"Just the fellow!" echoed Abigail. "You see the Williamses live on the other side of the square. Their back lot backs right up to ours, with just the alley between. Now, they don't know you from Adam. Of course, we told them about you, and they want to meet you, but they don't know you are coming down. The Williamses, you see, are our closest friends, and we have lots of fun with each other. Now, we are going to put something over on them—something nice, you understand, and we want you to help. The Williamses are the only people we give presents to, outside the family, except yourself, of course, and a few others. Well, the girls have a lot of jimcracks fixed up for them. We are going to have you take them over—"

"But I have never met—"

"Oh, that's all right. I've got some Santa Claus fixings here, and we are going to do you up as Santa—and you don't know your voice or anything, and it sure will surprise them."

"I see," said Henry weakly, with 100 per cent enthusiasm. "I just go up and ring, and walk in—"

"Oh, no, better than that! Come here and I'll show you." The victim followed him to the window. "You see that window, that basement window, or is it too dark? Yes, that's the one. You just sneak over quietly, drop in, walk upstairs and just surprise them, right in the library, or wherever they happen to be."

"But the window will be locked," said Henry, seeking an avenue of escape.

"No it won't. Mrs. Williams told the maid that they had called coming today—and it will be open, for Williams won't think to lock it until he goes down to fix the furnace for the night. You see, that window's where they put the coal in."

Somehow, this statement did not add to Henry's pleasure. But when Abigail asked if it wouldn't be great, the foolish man said that it would.

Half an hour later, in the darkness, a stranger might have been seen approaching, hidden by the shrubbery, the rear basement window of the Williams domicile, evidently with burglarious intent. An old overcoat of Jones'—

**Prophecy.**

Spiritual aspiration makes of a soul's best moments a medium for the expression of those high sentiments which come "out of the everywhere" and claim a human hand as tool for their inscription on time's material record. Of such is prophecy. But that prophet is a fraud who allows it to be understood that he feels himself capable of always living up to his flashes of inspiration. The truer the prophet, the more humbly must he confess to his own shortcomings as a demonstrator of the ideal.—Maurice D. Richards.

### Confusing.

"What I want to know," said the puzzled student of politics, "is whether or not the women voters defeated Mr. Secker."

"Don't ask me," answered Mr. Twobble. "My wife is a suffragist and her analysis of the vote is so complicated that I sometimes forget who really won."

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### WITH CUPID AT THE HELM

Sample of Conversation When Enamored Couple Set Out on Voyage Over True Love's Course.

The enamored couple were sitting entirely too close together for comfort and security on the lamp, and the sofa was turned low.

He kissed her on the very tip of the nose, a place he had never kissed her before.

"Archie," she reproved him regularly, "don't be foolish—go off."

And then, by the frown on his low but natural forehead she knew that Archie's feelings had suffered.

"Oh, my own big bobby-baby," she cried. "I have hurt you!"

"No, my goldfish," he replied foolishly, "the hurt I feel is because I know it hurts you to feel that you have hurt me."

"No, no, Archie—starched. Do not let that hurt you for a moment. My hurt is because I know it hurts you to feel that I have hurt myself by hurting you."

"My sugar-coated angel! My hurt is because you are hurt over feeling that I am hurt because you feel that you have hurt me and—Oh, kid, let's go to the movies!"

Which they did, and acted like a pair of goops.—Detroit Free Press.

### War and Health.

The effect of war conditions upon the health of the poorer classes is noted by Dr. L. A. Davies, medical officer of Woolwich, England, in his annual report. Improved working conditions in that munitions region count to some degree favorably, but the effects of stress of grief and fear upon such districts. It is a case of the poor and good overruling the bad. The increased use of alcohol may be traced to such emotion. Accidents have occurred as a result of the dark streets ordered as protection from air raids. Poor ventilation in cellars, where hiding becomes necessary, may, Doctor Davies considers, account for the increase in respiratory diseases. Fear and shock have doubtless shortened also the life of those engulfed from old age. They have caused many complications in childhood cases.

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By Ethel Hueston

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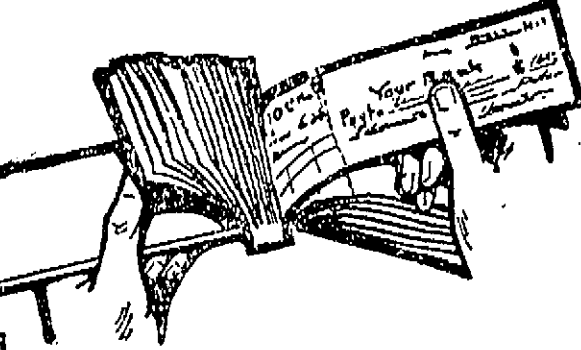
For us it has been a good year. And with circumstances as they are we can well look forward to 1917 with cheer and optimism.

This is our sincere greeting to you—our customers and friends—may the New Year hold for all of you happiness and prosperity in abundant measure.

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#### LOCAL ITEMS

Henry Karnatz spent Christmas with friends at Plymouth.

Helen and George Gordon spent Christmas with relatives at Tomah.

R. E. Klittel is spending the holidays with his people at Kaukauna.

Mrs. O. H. Moore spent the Christmas holidays with relatives in Baraboo.

Mr. and Mrs. John Grant visited over Christmas with Mr. Grant's relatives at Whitewater.

O. H. Moore spent Christmas at Tomahawk visiting with relatives, returning home on Tuesday.

Sol Sutliff and two sons of Rhineland spent Christmas in the city, guests at the Ed Wheelan home.

Miss Margaret Peroutke expects to leave tomorrow for Antigo to spend a few days visiting with relatives and friends.

#### WANT COLUMN

WANTED.—A school girl to work for her board. Mrs. Don Waters.

WANTED.—Large, white Angora cat, 11 seen, please notify Viola Nash, Telephone 83.

WANTED.—Men who desire to earn over \$125.00 per month write to us today for position as salesmen every opportunity for advancement. Central Petroleum Co., Cleveland, O.

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I've Done My Bit on the Border

I've done my bit on the border, Still I am not tired yet.

I've had my fill of the border, Or grocers and strangers, I have met.

I've eaten the dirt of Texas, I've drank of the Rio Grande.

I've grubbed mesquite in the cursed heat.

(The Lord never made the land!) I've seen all there is to the border, I've felt all there is to feel.

I've done my time in a sea of slime, I've lost all they didn't steal.

I've done my bit on the border, I've hiked and sweat in the heat and wet.

I've lain in the dust and gnawed a crust.

At Funston's judgment seat, I've eaten my meals with the reptiles, I've quartered with bugs galore—

In land where things all are made with stings.

From the trees to the rug on the floor,

I've dug in the blasted trenches, The air was a hundred hells—

I've charged in the jungled caucuses To the music of Rebel yells.

I've carried a pack in the jungle, Till it cut me down to the blood; I've sweated and lay like a thing of clay.

In a slithering swamp of mud, I've risen at five in the morning, At the sound of the reveille, I've slaved all day for a newsboy's pay.

Till the night would set me free, I've lived the life of a soldier, No chance to "beat it" or shrink—

And the life of a soldier, believe me, Is little but a—hard work.

I've eaten the food of a soldier, Hardtack and Mullaigan stew, Bacon and beans—and a touch of greens.

But, Lord, they were scarce and few!

I've followed the flag of my country In khaki and plain O. D. And up to date I'm standing straight In a way that is good to see.

I've done my bit on the border, I've had my fill of the same; But I wouldn't trade the friends I've made For all I've lost in the game.

I've had my fill of the border, Of grocers and border men, I've done my bit and I intend to quit And never take on again.

But I seem to know, when the bugles blow, And I hear the reveille, That my blood will heat and my pulse beat.

No matter where I may be, And I'll yearn to go—with a burning yearn

To straighten and click my heels. But I've done my bit on the border, And now, thank God, I'm free—

Altho I know, when the bugles blow, They'll have a call for me.

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Mrs. Chas. Natwick is visiting with her mother in Oshkosh this week.

Miss Caroline Kuntz of Madison is in the city visiting with her relatives and friends.

The J. L. Reinhardt home is quarantined with chicken pox, their son Roger being ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rablin of Spokane, Washington, are visiting with relatives in the city.

Lloyds Welch was in Madison over Christmas when he visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Welch.

Philip Gouger of Duluth spent several days in the city the past week visiting his mother and sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Carey of Milwaukee spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Carey.

Ed Harding, who is working on the New London Press, spent Christmas in the city visiting his parents.

Miss Minnie Getts of Milwaukee spent Christmas in the city visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Getts.

Dr. A. H. Paché is spending the holidays with his wife and family at Lancaster in the southern part of the state.

Misses Mary and Anna McMillan are home to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Archie McMillan.

Frank Drumb, who is working on the Times-Call at Racine, visited his friends and relatives in this city over Christmas.

J. F. Carrigan, chief engineer for the Wisconsin-Edwards Paper Co., is spending the week with his parents in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Wood of Eau Claire spent Christmas in this city visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Wood.

George Bennett, who is employed at the center trade in Milwaukee, was home to spend Christmas with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Drabany of Madison spent Christmas in the city guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Drabany.

Miss Margaret Nolte, who is teaching at Kenosha, is home for the holidays to visit with friends and relatives in this city.

Miss Holmes, domestic science teacher in our public schools, is spending the holidays with her people at Columbus, Ohio.

Alex Jones who is employed on the Madison State Journal, came home to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Jones.

George Shearler of the town of Grand Rapids was in the city the past week to spend the holidays with his family.

Howitt & Pomalinville have sold their stock of goods to Mintz & Searls, and the two latter gentlemen will hereafter run the place.

Leon Foley, who is attending the University of Wisconsin, is home to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Foley.

Mr. and Mrs. James Glennon spent Christmas at Sturgeon Bay, visiting at the home of Mrs. Glennon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Slattery.

County Judge W. J. Conway left this morning for Milwaukee where he will spend two days in attendance at the state meeting of county judges.

Gus Schuman has the foundation wall laid for his new home which he will erect this coming summer next to his present home on Baker street.

Mrs. J. R. Ragan and Mrs. S. H. Hetherington leave in the near future for Hot Springs, Arkansas, where Mrs. Ragan will take treatment for rheumatism.

Edward Stadler, who has been attending school at River Falls, arrived in the city Thursday to visit his sister, Miss Bernadine Stadler, until after the holidays.

Ted Thompson visited his parents in this city on Christmas. Ted had just returned from the Mexican border where he had been with the Minnesota National Guard.

Nothing finer for the home than a case of the Grand Rapids Brewing Co's Christmas Brew. Order your case now.

Dave Woodruff, manager of the Vesper Wood Manufacturing Co. was in the city between trains on Saturday. While here he favored the Tribune office with a pleasant call.

T. Purdy, composer of "On Wisconsin," the great Badger football song, which is probably the most popular college march in existence, is now ill in a New York sanitarium with tuberculosis.

Chas. Kraske, who was a candidate for clerk of the court on the democratic ticket this fall, is a candidate for the appointment of postmaster at Port Edwards. This is now a third class office.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Voss and son Herbert spent Christmas at Fond du Lac at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Beaman. Mr. Voss returned on Tuesday, but Mrs. Voss will remain for a couple of weeks yet.

Mr. and Mrs. John Estes of Beloit spent Christmas in the city visiting at the home of Mrs. Estes' mother, Mrs. Mathilda Karber. Mrs. Estes returned home on Tuesday but Mrs. Estes will remain for a week to visit.

Fred Dernbach, the cigar maker, has bought the O. T. Hougan home on the east side, terms of sale private. It is expected that matters can be so arranged that Mr. Dernbach will take possession of the place by the first of February.

The Elks are preparing for a big time at their home on the afternoon and evening of New Year Day. Special preparations are being made for the eve and it is expected that the affair will rival the event of last year and that there will be a large crowd in attendance.

Emil Peltier and son Ray, who are working at Eau Claire doing contract work for the Delta Paper company, arrived here on Saturday to spend Christmas at home. Miss Esther Peltier, who is teaching at Reedsburg, is also home to spend the holidays.

Anton Vanden Heuvel, who has been in the southern part of the state during the past six months, has returned to this city to visit with friends and relatives during the holidays. Mr. Vanden Heuvel expects to go to the northern part of the state to work in the woods after his visit here.

D. McVicar of Vesper was among the pleasant callers at the Tribune office on Friday. Mr. McVicar has shipped his household goods to Madison and the family will make their home in that city. Mr. McVicar will probably be at Vesper for a month or so yet until he closes up a part of his business there, when he will go to Madison also.

Ed Bassett and Fred Kruger had a collision near the Johnson & Hill store Friday afternoon. Mr. Bassett was driving the Ford car belonging to the electric company and Mr. Kruger was driving a delivery team. Mr. Kruger was thrown to the ground and bruised up somewhat, but not seriously hurt. Both men say the accident was unavoidable.

James Ray of Chicago arrived in the city Friday to visit his family over Christmas. Mr. Ray is working in the paper mill belonging to the Sears, Roebuck company, and states that he likes the place first rate. The mill operated by this company is now has one machine, but they expect to put in two more within a short time and greatly enlarge their output.

Jensen & Ebbe received a carload of Ford touring cars Wednesday.

Henry Duckert spent Christmas with his relatives in Brown county.

Peter Marceau of Minneapolis was home to spend Christmas with his parents.

Atty. F. S. Woodworth of Pittsville spent Christmas with friends in the city.

Emil Brostowitz of Milwaukee is spending a week in the city with his parents.

Dan Cooney of Chicago spent Christmas in the city the guest of his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Daly are visiting relatives in Madison during the holidays.

Miss Anna Bronkalla of Eau Claire is spending a weeks vacation with her parents.

Dr. V. P. Norton presented his wife with a new Ford touring car for Christmas.

Dr. S. E. Cottrill and wife spent Christmas with the doctor's parents at New Lisbon.

Louise Drostowicz has returned to Stanley to spend Christmas with her parents.

Mrs. Lee Margrey of Saratoga returned Saturday from a three weeks' visit in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Boles spent Christmas at Marshfield visiting with Mrs. Boles' relatives.

Rev. H. D. Johnson will address the Bible and Literary society at Arpin Friday evening.

Roy Weeks is spending his vacation in this city visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Weeks.

John Rickman who has been seriously ill with pneumonia, the past three weeks is now improving.

Mr. and Mrs. August Sator of Marshfield spent Christmas in the city visiting with relatives.

Niel Nash arrived in the city Saturday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Nash.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Weller spent Christmas at Marshfield where they visited with Mrs. Weller's parents.

Alex Burnesler of Milwaukee was home to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Burnesler.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Gross and Cyril Gross of Wausau spent Christmas in the city, guests of Mrs. George W. Davis.

Miss Constance Boorman was home from Wausau to spend the holidays with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Boorman.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shekey of Johnson Creek spent several days during the past week at the Herman Abel home.

Harry Kempfert, superintendent of the Grand Rapids Street Railway Co., spent Christmas with his mother at Appleton.

Howard Mullen arrived in the city Friday to spend the Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Mullen.

Herman Taves of Merrill spent Christmas with his wife, who is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Rickman.

Fred Fanderick of Minneapolis was in the city over Christmas to visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fanderick.

P. E. Reusswig of Grand Rapids, Minnesota, while in the city recently on business, visited with his sister, Mrs. H. B. Johnson.

Miss Mary Callist, one of the teachers in the public schools, left last week for Brookings, South Dakota, where she will spend the holidays with her parents.

Miss Janet Daly, who is teaching near Neillsville, returned home last week to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Daly.

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## RAILROADS MAKE BIG PROFITS

We only need to hark back a few months to hear the ever-recurring refrain of hard luck coming from the railroads telling of great losses, expenses and insupportable income to make their operating ends meet. Of course, the only way out of their financial predicament is rate-raising. Just now the railroads refrain from temporarily allying away, and here is the reason: The net earnings of all railroads in this country for the fiscal year was over \$300,000,000 greater than for the fiscal year ended in 1915. This, be it remembered, is net earnings, not gross earnings, as reported by no less an authority than "The Financial and Commercial Chronicle."

The net earnings for all the railroads of this country for the past fiscal year totaled the staggering sum of \$1,207,632,001. The same authority reports that never before in the history of our railroads have there been such large railroad earnings, both gross and net incomes, as during the present year. Even the railroading expenses are steadily advancing, shippers must be shown why a \$300,000,000 increase in net earnings will not take care of all advancing expenses and still leave a fat profit for the railroad companies.

## WISCONSIN IS 70 YEARS OLD

With the autumn of 1916 Wisconsin as a governmental entity attained the traditional life of three score years and ten. The beginning of the establishment of the government of Wisconsin territory was made on July 4, 1836, when, at Mineral Point, Governor Dodge and Secretary Hornor took the oath of office. The territory constituted the principal feature of a noisy Fourth of July celebration in the then crude and turbulent mining town.

In October following the first legislature of the new born territory convened at old Belmont, Lafayette county, in a story and a half frame building. Wisconsin's first capital is now but a memory. The old building has long been in use as a horse stable, and even the very name of the place was removed some fifty years ago, to grace an adjoining community.

## THE PAPER SITUATION

Latest Developments Warn of Windom of Placing Orders Early

A dispatch just received from Washington as to paper supply for the government contains information which should indicate to all paper buyers the gravity of the present paper situation.

Each year the United States government places the largest individual paper contract made in this country. Naturally, every paper distributor is anxious to secure this government business. But, in spite of the size of the order—in spite of the millions of dollars in business involved—the general purchasing agent for the government has just been informed by the paper mills that they will not be able to supply as much paper for the coming year as for the past year—even at an enormous increase in price.

Dr. O. H. Briggs, head of the government general supply division, says: "Lately reports show a crisis in the paper industry. We are using 100 different kinds of paper. Since the war the price has jumped about 100 per cent and will continue to soar. Government contract price for fine grades of typewriter paper last year was 12c a pound. Now we have to pay 20c."

When the most sought after paper buyer in this country has to get what he needs, it is time that all paper consumers made sure of their supplies—no matter how large or small—for some months to come. Poor deliveries of paper from the mills, congested railroad service and the unprecedented scarcity of all kinds of low priced paper commodities should give warning as to what may be expected in the future by those who do not exercise their foresight and buy now.—McClellan's Bulletin to the Printing Trade.

## BIRON

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Croteau and two children of Mosinee spent Christmas here with Mrs. Croteau's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Key.

Lawrence Akey of Rudolph and Gust Justison of Carson were business visitors here one day last week. John Novack has gone to Chicago to work.

A. L. Akey is having lights and a phone installed in his house. Fred Shank has gone to Green Bay where he will enter the hospital for an operation for gall stones.

The Bart Gaffney family are having electric lights put in their home. Herman Zager has been on the sick list for the past week.

A. L. Akey has had to his collection of pets a woodchuck and two grey squirrels. Mr. Akey says that all he wants now is a peacock and a couple of horned toads, and then he will be ready to give an exhibition.

W. J. Fobart and family of Mosinee are visiting their parents in this town over the holidays.

Joe Klappert is having electric lights put in his house. Archie Shearrier and W. O. Barton are installing electric lights in their homes.

Fred Newby was on the sick list a few days the past week. Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Simkoski spent Christmas in Kellner with relatives and friends.

Martin Gleibke and wife spent Christmas at Kellner. Geo. Prusynski who has been in Kenosha for some time, came home to spend Christmas.

John Hauser and family of Shearrier spent Christmas with the Shearrier family.

The Misses Genevieve and Jessie Gaffney arrived last Thursday to spend their Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Fisher spent Christmas at Rudolph with friends and relatives.

The school program here last Thursday night was well attended and much enjoyed by all.

Alex McGrath who has been in Minnesota for some time, spent Christmas holidays with home folks.

Raymond Casey, our school principal, spent Christmas at his home in New Lisbon.

Raymond Croteau spent Christmas with home folks in Rudolph.

## KEEP COWS RECORD

Value of Cow-Testing Associations Are Demonstrated—Appearance Offered by the Dairy Cows

That the appearance of a dairy cow can not be depended on to indicate her production of milk is a fact demonstrated by the results of the show conducted under the auspices of the Dairy Division of the department with a herd of nine cows at the National Dairy show held recently at Springfield, Massachusetts.

A year's record of milk and butter fat already had been made for all the cows of the herd. During the show complete records of production and feed consumption were kept and in every case the previous records were duplicated. Some of the cows were of poor dairy type, yet were good producers; others were of good dairy type, yet were poor producers; all others of similar appearance had greatly different records. Of the last named class were Nos. 8 and 9. Many experienced stockmen selected No. 9 as the better of the two, but the records showed that for the last year No. 8 gave 8,445 pounds of milk and 346 of fat compared with 4,379 lbs. of milk and 208 of fat for No. 9. This served as an object lesson to the hundreds of people who daily viewed the demonstration that good dairy type is not always associated with large production and that poor dairy type does not indicate lack of large yield.

"What does it cost to keep records?" was the common question of the dairymen. In cow-testing associations, where the above-quoted records were made, the charge is \$1.50 a month for each cow, and in addition the board of the tester for one day each month. With feed, labor and live stock so high, it certainly is imperative to eliminate every unnecessary expense like the "boarder's" "robber's" cow that fails to pay for even her feed.

In the big room at the dairy show where the cows were stanchioned were several hundred comfortable seats. Several times each day well-known dairymen from various parts of the country talked to the large audiences on dairy problems, illustrating their remarks with the results of the demonstration held. Especial emphasis was laid upon the value of records in economical management.

Cooperative breed associations were carefully studied and their many advantages explained. That it was possible to have high-class bulls of the first breeding for the use of a dairyman with only a few cows is a fact that is being more and more realized. To be true, especially when the cost was even less than in the case of scrub bulls, in this connection the charts that illustrated the conditions of the dairyman's herd and the organization of a bull association, elicited much interest. At that place for a yearly investment of \$7.50 each the members have the use of five \$2.10 bulls for 16 months.

On the walls of the demonstration room were pictures of famous dairy animals, charts showing results of record keeping, etc. Adjoining were stanchions for the cows and the sides, only partially finished, to show the construction; also a model of a dairy barn and of a silo. In the milk houses was dairy equipment, and a man in charge answered questions on dairying and explained the construction of these and all other kinds of dairy buildings.

At regular periods demonstrations in the sterilizing of milk utensils were given with the inexpensive farm sterilizer described in Farmers' Bulletin 748; these demonstrations were well attended.

There was also keen interest in every part of the demonstrations, as may be judged from the fact that about 5,000 people listened to lectures and fully 15,000 viewed the exhibits.

## SIGEL

Miss Sophia Lindstrom arrived on Saturday morning from Sigel, Minn., and will visit home folks.

Gust Anderson left last Thursday for Duluth, Minnesota, where he will visit relatives and friends.

Mrs. Willard Grossmann has gone to Dale to visit her parents.

Eric Anderson and family of South Dakota are here and have taken possession of the farm which they purchased here last fall.

Mrs. Frank Krause left on Thursday last for Chilton where she will visit relatives for an indefinite time.

Mrs. Eric Newman of Grand Rapids was a week and visitor here.

John Lindquist left Wednesday for Bessemer, Michigan, after spending a week here visiting with relatives.

After Larson of Port Edwards is spending the holidays here with relatives.

Misses Agda Lindstrom and Edith Bloomquist who are teaching school at Vedding are here to spend two weeks vacation at their respective homes.

Robert Heden who is employed at Merrill, is here for a brief visit.

John Olson is on Saturday for Nashville to spend a few days.

Mrs. Frank Knoll of Kellner is visiting at the Joe Rokus home.

Chas. Anderson and Andrew Lindquist left Tuesday for Merrill where they will be employed.

Misses Ella, Anna and Ruth Henderson of Grand Rapids are visiting here.

William Kronstedt was brought home last Friday from the hospital at Merrill.

## NOTICE TO SIGEL TAXPAYERS

I will be at the Wood County National Bank every Saturday during the month of January to collect taxes for town of Sigel.

Garrett Loomans, Treasurer.

## NW ROME

The sleighing is improving. Mr. Pfeiffer made a trip to Nekeosa Sunday taking Miss Nina Christenson along to spend her vacation with home folks in Grand Rapids.

The program in Districts No. 1, 2 and 3 were well attended and all reports them as very nice.

Walter Hoof commended hauling boys Saturday.

Earl Davis took a load of wood to Nekeosa Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Blackburn moved into Mrs. Amundson's house last week.

Joe Corbin and son McKinley took a trip to Grand Rapids last Wednesday.

Miss Isla Pike who has been in poor health is moving rapidly. Mrs. E. J. Hoff and son Martin spent Christmas at the Tony Edwards home in Grand Rapids.

# WISCONSIN FARMERS LOSE BY BAD ROADS

Millions Go into Mud and Ruts Every Year.

FARMERS HAUL 20,000,000 TONS EVERY YEAR

Dairy Farmers Travel 30,000,000 Miles a Year.

Wisconsin is spending approximately ten million dollars a year on her roads or highways—\$5,000,000 under State Aid Law and \$5,000,000 by the towns. The highways are one of the biggest public propositions in the State of Wisconsin. As a matter of fact, considering the extent of their use, they are the biggest proposition. We build court houses and prisons and asylums, and even the state capital, but none of them come home to each of us so much as the roads and the school house. Charles Sumner once said that good roads and good schools were the forerunners of all progress.

Someone has said that there are one hundred and eighty thousand reasons why we should have good roads in Wisconsin—because we have that number of farms in Wisconsin. In addition to that, there are 3,200 reasons why we should have first-class roads—better than the average state. These 3,200 reasons are the 3,200 cheese factories and creameries which we have in the State. These require more trips to market than needed in the average corn or grain state.

In the dairy industry alone it is estimated that the farmers travel 60,000,000 miles a year.

Every one of these farms is producing grain, dairy products, live stock, running into millions every year. Our dairy products alone are valued at over a hundred million dollars a year, which means that a hundred million dollars worth is hauled over our roads every year as a result of dairy farming.

As a matter of fact, each farm is a big producing factory and to operate profitably it must have switching facilities for its freight—roads over which to transport its product to the warehouse, where it is put on the rail lines and carried to the markets of the world.

The State Dairy and Food Department and State Agricultural Commissioner give us some interesting figures on the big freight business the farmer must haul over the road.

In 1915, approximately 2,000,000 tons of dairy products were hauled to and from the creameries, cheese factories and condenser—milk, cream, whey and butter.

Taking the tonnage of thirteen of our big agricultural products, barley, oats, wheat, rye, hay, potatoes, sugarbeets, beans, peas, clover-seed and timothy, we find this runs to about 12,000,000 tons. Add to this the other haulings from farm to market, and it easily runs between fifteen and twenty million tons. The average haul will be about six miles.

Take out your pencil and paper and figure the loss on this tonnage caused by bad roads—the loss per ton per mile. What are the services of a farmer and his team worth per hour?

What would you charge for your team and hired man per hour? How many hours do you lose on the road by bad roads? Isn't your load out in two by poor roads? Are you making two trips to market, where you could with good roads double the size of your load and make one trip. Are you not wearing out your teams and wagons and harness, and even your self—driving over poor roads?

How often have you been prevented from driving to market when the market is good by bad roads and how much have you lost by it?

You begin to see why we have roads. Don't you think we need better ones? Are you going to keep on driving in the old rut? If the farmers of Wisconsin lose two hours a week in going to market by bad roads, they are losing 30,000 working days a year.

Think this over, and you will come to the conclusion that if the money you are losing on bad roads every year is spent in building good roads it would build good roads throughout the State of Wisconsin.

Don't you think that after all good roads are an investment rather than an expenditure—that the taxes you pay for them bring you a bigger investment than any investment you make in taxes?

Wisconsin is famous for its splendid farms—behind the fences is the highest type of efficiency. Isn't it time that we got this efficiency behind the fences also?

Twenty-six million horses in America consume \$2,000,000,000 worth of food yearly, more than the cost of operating the 50,000 miles of railroad. With the development of the extensive type of motor engine it is going to be found that the horse is an expensive means of transportation.

We are living in an age of efficiency and the most conspicuous example of American inefficiency is the bad roads.

LUMBERMEN BEAT PACKERS

The Government Forest Laboratory has "broken the market" for waste rags. Discoveries recently made at the laboratory, in the use of former waste saw mill refuse, were so important that upon the announcement of the results of its success in commercial experiments the price of rags dropped from \$72 per ton to \$35. As 200,000 tons are used yearly in the manufacture of felt roofing, the discovery amounts much to the roofing manufacturers, besides providing a new outlet for saw mill waste.

We have beaten the packing house," declares Director Howard P. Weiss of the laboratory. "The packing house has long been able to market everything but the squeal of a hog. We have been able to utilize everything, to use everything but the bark of a tree. But now, before the packers have been able to commiserate the squeal of the hog, we have found a use for the bark."

While corn culture under droughty conditions is largely a matter of taking chances with seasonable conditions, certain controllable conditions of soil and seed often determine the success or failure of the crop.

## COST OF BOARDING HIRED HELP

It costs \$128 per year to board a hired hand, according to estimates furnished to the Department of Agriculture by 1,000 farmers representing widely separated sections in the States. The averages derived from these estimates are embodied in Department Bulletin 410, recently published, entitled "Value to Farm Families of Food, Fuel, and Use of House."

It was found that the total annual cost per person of board for hired help varied from \$104 in Vermont and Pennsylvania to \$152 in New Jersey, and that the percentage of this cost paid in cash varied from 15 per cent in North Carolina to 49 per cent in California. This percentage is about one-third in the eastern section studied, about one-fourth in the corn belt states, and still less in the southern states.

The total of hired help boarded varies considerably with variations in farming conditions. For example, among the families visited in New Jersey, hired help averaged 0.6 of a full-time family man in California 0.8. In other words, in New Jersey the average family boarded one man for 7 months, in Maine one man for 9 months, in North Dakota one man for 18 months, and in California one man for 4 months.

## SOY BEAN A PROMISING CROP

Notable progress has been made in bringing about the commercial utilization of soy-bean seed for the manufacture of oil, meal, and various other products, according to the annual report of the Chief of the Bureau of Plant Industry. The soy bean, the report states, is well adapted to the white cotton belt, and is a very valuable vegetable and is a source of food. Inasmuch as soy beans can be more cheaply produced than any other bean seed, it is believed that there is a large field for the raising of soy beans in the case of green beans. Efforts are now being made to induce canning factories to put the product on the market in the growing of the soy bean and in manufacturing beans and one of Mr. Akey's horses kicked it and broke its leg, so it had to be killed.

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## MEHMAN

A happy and prosperous New Year is our wish to all.

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## ARPIN

Henry Peterson's cheese factory caught fire one day last week. The fire was caused by a defective stove. The origin of the fire is not known.

The Crouse girls are home to spend the winter. They have been working in Oconomowoc the past summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hunt visited last week with the Winkler family over Christmas.

Cal Winkler is spending the holidays with his son in Fond du Lac.

Guy Martin, who is attending school in the city, is visiting with home folks for a few days.

Mrs. Veloch is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Walter Winkler.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Schroeder are home from the Gust Gaffney family.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Martin and two grandchildren of Stevens Point, visited with their son William and family over Christmas.

Elizabeth went to Chicago, to see Mrs. Winkler's mother, who is very sick.

Whittingham is home for his vacation.

Lydia Smithbrook is home from Friendship to spend her vacation.

Mrs. Chas. Thompson went to Fond du Lac where she was called by the illness of a sister.

## CITY POINT

The program at the graded school last Friday evening was well attended and much credit is given the teachers for such an interesting program.

Miss Leone LeMay is spending her vacation at the home of her friends in Grand Rapids. From there she will go to Chicago for a few days visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Wright left for Fond du Lac Saturday to spend the holidays with relatives.

Grace and Gerald Stafton spent Christmas at Komenky.

A. J. Amundson left for Pigeon Falls Saturday to visit relatives.

Miss E. Henderson is spending her vacation with her mother.

Chester Billis and Miss Lillian Christopherson did shopping in Grand Rapids Saturday morning.

Marguerite Christopherson is at home for her Christmas vacation.

Miss Mabel Olson is visiting with her parents.

## INDOLPH NOTICE

I will be at the Plitz hardware store every Tuesday in January. Wm. Plitz, Treasurer.

We wish all a happy and prosperous New Year.

Misses Beasley made our roads a bit slippery.

Mrs. Ryan and daughter went to their home in Stevens Point Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. K. J. Marceau, daughters Madeline and Margaret, returned home Tuesday from Stevens Point where they spent Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Clark and three children went to Merrill Sunday to spend a week visiting.

Martin Lipke is taking a vacation from his duties as depot agent.

A brand new baby boy came to the home of the John Wilkins home on Saturday, December 16.

From Grand Rapids is caring for the mother and babe.

The stork brought a new baby girl to the home of Harold Clark on Thursday, December 23.

Chas. Margeson and daughter Jessie spent Christmas at the Harold Clark home.

Mrs. P. Gekey came down from Mosinee to spend Christmas at the Nick Marceau home.

Mrs. O. Akey visited from Sunday noon till Monday evening with her sister, Mrs. H. Grashorn, in Junction City.

Harold Babcock, who is employed at the Sawmills Lumber Co.'s office, spent Sunday and Christmas with his parents in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Wagers are visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Rayome.

Miss Myrtle and Irwin Van Abel of Holland town are visiting at the Theo. Van Der and H. Van Der Berg homes.

Miss Minnie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Joosten, has returned from a two weeks visit in Little Chute.

Miss Elsie Porron has returned to her home in Fond du Lac after spending several weeks here at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. J. Rayome.

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## NOTICE TO PROVE WILL AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

State of Wisconsin, County Court, Wood County—In Probate.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the time of said court to be held on the 10th day of January, 1917, at 10 o'clock a. m. in the court house in the city of Grand Rapids, county of Wood and State of Wisconsin, there will be heard and considered the application of Susan Peterson, administratrix of the estate of Arthur S. Peterson, deceased, for the appointment of said court to the said estate of Arthur S. Peterson, deceased.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN, that at the term of said court to be held at said court house, on the 10th day of January, 1917, at 10 o'clock a. m. there will be heard and considered the application of Susan Peterson, administratrix of the estate of Arthur S. Peterson, deceased, for the appointment of said court to the said estate of Arthur S. Peterson, deceased.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN, that all such claims for examination and allowance must be presented to said court at the court house in the city of Grand Rapids, in said county of Wood and State of Wisconsin, on or before the 10th day of January, 1917, at 10 o'clock a. m.

By the Court: W. C. CONWAY, County Judge.

J. J. Jeffrey, Attorney.

Dec. 21 Jan. 3 NOTICE TO PROVE WILL AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

State of Wisconsin, County Court, Wood County—In Probate.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the time of said court to be held on the 10th day of January, 1917, at 10 o'clock a. m. in the court house in the city of Grand Rapids, county of Wood and State of Wisconsin, there will be heard and considered the application of Susan Peterson, administratrix of the estate of Arthur S. Peterson, deceased, for the appointment







Prudence of the Parsonage

By Ethel Hueston

is one of those joyful stories that will cheer and satisfy you. The characters are just ordinary, plain people, living sweet, loyal, loving, devoted, happy lives together in a nice, wholesome, little, American town, and long before you're through with the story you'll find they are all your real friends.

Prudence is the young daughter of a minister who takes up the self-imposed task of raising her four motherless sisters. They are all just "regular" girls, full of life and vim, and naturally there are all sorts of amusing happenings. Then there comes a Prince Charming into the tale that furnishes a very pretty romance. If you can enjoy a clean, jolly story be sure to read



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A Forward Look! 1917 stands ready to take the stage. The old year with its joys and heartaches will soon be but a memory. For us it has been a good year. And with circumstances as they are we can well look forward to 1917 with cheer and optimism.

Bank of Grand Rapids West Side



Fortunately This Country is Not at War with any country equipped with howitzers and air ships with which to hurl shells and drop bombs on our homes, towns and cities, to their utter destruction. You Need Not Hesitate To Build And Build At Once

W. A. Marling Lumber Co. M. G. GORDON, Manager

Henry Karnatz spent Christmas with friends at Plymouth. Helen and George Gordon spent Christmas with relatives at Tomah. R. E. Kittel is spending the holidays with his people at Kaukauna. Mrs. O. R. Moore spent the Christmas holidays with relatives in Baraboo. Mr. and Mrs. John Grant visited over Christmas with Mr. Grant's relatives at Whitewater. O. R. Moore spent Christmas at Tomahawk visiting with relatives, returning home on Tuesday. Sol Sutliff and two sons of Rhinelander spent Christmas in the city, guests at the Ed Wheelan home. Miss Margaret Peroutke expects to leave tomorrow for Antigo to spend a few days visiting with relatives and friends.

WANT COLUMN

WANTED—A school girl to work for her board. Mrs. Don Waters. LOST—Large, white Angora cat. If seen, please notify Viola Nash, Telephone 83. WANTED—Men who desire to earn over \$125.00 per month write to us today for position as salesman; every opportunity for advancement. Central Petroleum Co., Cleveland, O. FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—Good flour and feed mill, electric light plant connected; income \$500 per month; in a good, live Wisconsin town; wonderful opportunity; must sacrifice. If interested write to H. D. Mintz, Grand Rapids, Wis. FOR RENT—Two houses near Lowell school, west side. Telephone 363. FOR SALE—Two fresh, pure bred Jersey milk cows, five and two years old. Will sell with or without calf. Enquire at Seivert & Edwards meat market, west side. WANTED—A competent bookkeeper and stenographer. Address Vesper, Wis., Box 4. FOR RENT—Good house on 4th Ave. N. and two flats on 1st Ave. N. L. M. Nash. FOR SALE—A few fancy cutters; two pair bobbed and some lap robes. Nash Hdq. Co. FOR SALE—6-room house and two lots on McKinley St.; 1 1/2 lots on Grand Ave. and 4 lots on 15th Ave. S.; 2 lots on Lincoln St. For particulars and prices see Geo. A. Ellis, telephone 624. CHICKENS—Will sell dollar apiece Rhode Island Red pullets, all ready to lay now; eighteen months old; hens 75c apiece. Delivered in city. Drop a postal to Box 81, Route 7, City. FOR RENT—Modern 5 and 6 room flats with bath. Janitor service and hot and cold water year round, steam heat. Apply to Taylor, Scott & Daly.

Farm for Sale

I offer my 80-acre farm for sale, together with 3 horses, 10 cows, 10 hogs, 1 yearling bull, 40 hens, 2 pigs, oats, and 25 tons of hay. Large new barn and silo filled; 9-room house, good out buildings, all painted new wagon and farm tools. There is about 25,000 feet of standing pine on farm. Land is in town of Saratoga, 5 miles south of Grand Rapids, on Wisconsin river. Everything included for \$6,000; half down, balance on easy terms. Will consider exchange. Address—EUGENE MYERS, 24-pd, R. 8, Grand Rapids, Wis.

FOR SALE

Ford touring car in splendid condition. Must be cash. Chambers' Livery. I've Done My Bit on the Border I've done my bit on the border, Still I am not tired yet, I've had my fill of the border, Of greasers and strangers, I have met. I've eaten the dirt of Texas, I've drank of the Rio Grande, I've grubbed mesquite in the cursed heat, (The Lord never made the land!) I've seen all there is to the border, I've felt all there is to be felt, I've done my time in a sea of slime, I've lost all they didn't steal.

I've done my bit on the border, I've hiked and sweat in the heat and wet, I've lain in the dust and gnawed a crust, At Fureston's judgment seat, I've eaten my meals with the reptiles, I've quartered with bugs galore, In land where things all are made with stings, From the trees to the rug on the floor, I've dug in the blasted trenches, The air was a hundred hells—I've charged in the jungled cañons To the music of Rebel yells. I've carried a pack in the jungle, Till I cut me down to the blood; I've sweated and lay like a thing of clay, In a slithering swamp of mud, I've risen at five in the morning At the sound of the reveille, I've slaved all day for a newsboy's pay, Till the night would set me free, I've lived the life of a soldier, No chance to "beat it" or shirk—And the life of a soldier, believe me, Is little but a—hard work.

I've eaten the food of a soldier, Hardtack and Mulligan stew, Bacon and beans—and a touch of greens— But, Lord, they were scarce and few, I've followed the flag of my country In khaki and plain O. D. And up to date I'm standing straight in a way that is good to see, I've done my bit on the border, I've had my fill of the same; But I wouldn't trade the friends I've made For all I've lost in the game. I've had my fill of the border, Of greasers and border men, I've done my bit and I stand to quit And never take on again. But I seem to know, when the bugles blow And I hear the reveille, That my blood will heat and my pulses beat, No matter where I may be. And I'll yearn to go—with a burning yearn That only the soldier feels; To slave and sweat in the heat and wet, To straighten and click my heels. But I've done my bit on the border, And now, thank God, I'm free— Altho I know, when the bugles blow, They'll have a call for me.

AUTOMOBILE AND SIGN PAINTING

Have your automobile painted now. The paint will have a better chance to harden and will give better satisfaction. Special price on Fords, Hugo Lind, west side.

Mr. and Mrs. Mary Rablin of Spokane, Washington, are visiting with relatives in the city. Lloyd Welch was in Madison over Christmas where he visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Welch. Philip Gouger of Duluth spent several days in the city the past week visiting his mother and sisters. Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Carey of Milwaukee spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Carey. Ed Harding, who is working on the New London Press, spent Christmas in the city visiting his parents. Miss Minnie Getts of Milwaukee spent Christmas in the city visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Getts. Mr. A. H. Fache is spending the holidays with his wife and family at Lancaster in the southern part of the state. Misses Mary and Anna McMillan are home to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Archie McMillan. Frank Drumb, who is working on the Times-Call at Racine, visited his friends and relatives in this city over Christmas. J. F. Carrigan, chief engineer for the Neokosa-Edwards Paper Co. is spending the week with his parents in Chicago. Mr. and Mrs. Guy Wood of Eau Claire spent Christmas in this city visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Wood. George Arnett, who is employed at the carpenter trade in Milwaukee, was home to spend Christmas with his family. Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Brahany of Madison spent Christmas in the city guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Demitz. Miss Margaret Nolter, who is teaching at Kenosha, is home for the holidays to visit with friends and relatives in this city. Miss Holmes, domestic science teacher in our public schools, is spending the holidays with her people at Columbus, Ohio. Alex Jones who is employed on the Madison State Journal, came home to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Jones. George Shearer of the town of Grand Rapids was among the business callers at the Tribune office on Saturday while in the city. Hewitt & Pomainville have sold their stock of goods to Mintz & Sears, and the two latter gentlemen will hereafter run the place. Leon Foley, who is attending the University of Wisconsin, is home to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Foley. Mr. and Mrs. James Gleason spent Christmas at Sturgeon Bay, visiting at the home of Mrs. Gleason's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Slattery. County Judge W. J. Conway left this morning for Milwaukee where he will spend two days in attendance at the state meeting of county judges. Gus Schuman has the foundation wall laid for his new home which he will erect this coming summer next to his present home on Baker street.

Mrs. J. R. Ragan and Mrs. S. H. Hentz leave in the near future for Hot Springs, Arkansas, where Mrs. Ragan will take treatment for rheumatism. Edward Stadler, who has been attending school at River Falls, arrived in the city Thursday to visit his sister, Miss Bernadine Stadler, until after the holidays. Ted Thompson visited his parents in this city over Christmas. Ted had just returned from the Mexican border where he had been with the Minnesota National Guard. Nothing finer for the home than a case of the Grand Rapids Brewing Co's Christmas Brew. Order your case now. Dave Woodruff, manager of the Vesper Wood Manufacturing Co. was in the city between trains on Saturday. While here he favored the Tribune office with a pleasant call. T. Purdy, composer of "On Wisconsin," the great Badger football song, which is probably the most popular college march in existence, is now ill in a New York sanitarium with tuberculosis. Chas. Krasko, who was a candidate for clerk of the court on the democratic ticket this fall, is a candidate for the appointment of postmaster at Port Edwards. This is now a third class office. Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Voss and son Herbert spent Christmas at Fond du Lac at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Beazan. Mr. Voss returned on Tuesday, but Mrs. Voss will remain for a couple of weeks visit. Mr. and Mrs. John Bates of Beloit spent Christmas in the city visiting at the home of Mrs. Bates' mother, Mrs. Mathilda Karberg. Mr. Bates returned home on Tuesday but Mrs. Bates will remain for a week to visit. Fred Dernbach, the cigar maker, has bought the O. T. Hougau home on the east side, terms of sale private. It is expected that matters can be so arranged that Mr. Dernbach will take possession of the place by the first of February. The Elks are preparing for a big time at their home on the afternoon and evening of New Year Day. Special preparations are being made for the event and it is expected that the affair will rival the event of last year and that there will be a large crowd in attendance. Emil Pettier and son Ray, who are working at Eau Claire doing construction work for the Dells Paper company, arrived here on Saturday to spend Christmas at home. Miss Esther Pettier, who is teaching at Reedsburg, is also home to spend the holidays. Anton Vanden Heuvel, who has been in the southern part of the state during the past six months, has returned to this city to visit with relatives and friends during the holidays. Mr. Vanden Heuvel expects to go to the northern part of the state to work in the woods after his visit here. D. McVicar of Vesper was among the pleasant callers at the Tribune office on Friday. Mr. McVicar has shipped his household goods to Madison and the family will make their home in that city. Mr. McVicar will probably be at Vesper for a month or so yet until he closes up a part of his business there, when he will go to Madison also. Ed Bassett and Fred Kruger had a collision near the Johnson Hotel store Friday afternoon. Mr. Bassett was driving the Ford car belonging to the electric company and Mr. Kruger was driving a delivery team. Mr. Kruger was thrown to the ground and bruised up somewhat, but not seriously hurt. Both men say the accident was unavoidable. James Ray of Chicago arrived in the city Friday to visit his family over Christmas. Mr. Ray is working in the paper mill belonging to the Sears, Roebuck company, and states that he likes the place first rate. The mill operated by this company now has one machine, but they expect to put in two more within a short time and greatly enlarge their output.

Miss Constance Boorman was home from Wausau to spend the holidays with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Boorman. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shekey of Johnson Creek spent several days during the past week at the Herman Abel home. Harry Kempster, superintendent of the Grand Rapids Street Railway Co., spent Christmas with his mother at Appleton. Howard Mullen arrived in the city Friday to spend the Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Mullen. Herman Tewes of Merrill spent Christmas with his wife, who is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Rickman. Fred Fanderick of Minneapolis was in the city over Christmas to visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fanderick. F. E. Rousswig of Grand Rapids, Minnesota, while in the city recently on business, visited with his sister, Mrs. H. H. Johnson. Mr. and Mrs. George K. Gibson, daughter Katharine and son George are in the city for the holidays, guests at the I. P. Witter home. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Whitlsey of Fargo, North Dakota, have been visiting relatives in this city and at Cranmore since Saturday. Grant Babcock, who is employed at Brainerd, Minnesota, in the erection of a paper mill, spent Christmas in the city with his family. Miss Janet Daly, who is teaching near Neillsville, returned home last week to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Daly. Miss Mary Catlett, one of the teachers in the public schools, left last week for Brookings, South Dakota, where she will spend the holidays with her parents. Jerry Witter, who is attending school at Peoria, Pennsylvania, arrived in the city Friday to spend the holidays with his parents. He was met in Chicago by Mr. and Mrs. I. P. Witter. The Grand Rapids Brewing Co. have put on the market a limited supply of their famous Christmas ale in pint and quart bottles. Its fine and you must get in your order at once as it is going fast. Miss Leona Binneboese, who is employed at Minneapolis, and Arthur Binneboese who is teaching at Long Prairie, Minnesota, are home to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Binneboese. Emmett McCarthy is able to be about again after undergoing an operation to relieve him from an injury that he received several weeks ago. Emmett's many friends are pleased to know that he is getting along so nicely. The owner of a Ford car was brought into court and was fined for speeding. He paid the fine and costs cheerfully and seemed to be proud of the little machine. But he did get mad when he saw the justice make this docket entry: "John Smith, fined for rushing the car."

Harlo Shinn left on Friday for his home in Brazil, Indiana, where he expects to spend a week visiting his relatives. From there he will go to California where he will be employed as chauffeur by Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Alexander, who expect to spend the remainder of the winter in that state. George T. Sherman, who is now located at Appleton in the employ of the Interstate Paper Co., was in the city over Christmas to visit with his family. While here he disposed of his home in the Lyon addition to Axel Christenson, who takes possession of the property at once. Mr. and Mrs. Shinn have moved to Appleton to reside. Marshfield Herald: John A. Hoffman, whose term of office as register of deeds expires with the beginning of the new year, was in the city Monday. He has not decided on his plans for the future but in all probability he will return to Marshfield to live. He has many kind words to say of Grand Rapids and her people and might be persuaded to stay if a business to his liking presented itself. Sheriff Cliff Bluet has rented the Chas. Giese house on the east side. Mr. Bluet will put up some logs on his farm near Arpin this winter from which he will build a new home during the coming summer, and again take possession of same, it being occupied by a renter at present. Under-sheriff O. Carlin will return to Vesper and engage in his former occupation of stock buying; or he may decide to move on his farm in Waushara county. Tomah Journal: Lieut. E. C. Van Wie was given a very pleasant surprise last Friday morning when about forty members of Company K, just returned from the border, appeared at his drug store and presented him with a Masonic pin and ring in token of their affectionate regard. Mr. Van Wie was Second Lieutenant of the company and popular with the members. He was with them until about four weeks before they left Camp Wilson when he obtained his discharge and came home on account of the demands of his business requiring his personal attention.

Plum Pudding One large cup suet chopped fine, 1 cup of raisins, 1 cup of molasses, 1 cup of currants, 1 cup of milk, 1 tablespoon of sugar, 1 small teaspoon of salt, 1 teaspoon of cinnamon, 1 teaspoon of soda, 3 cups of flour; steam three hours. Apple Johnny Cake One cup of corn meal, 2 level teaspoons of sugar, 1/2 teaspoon of salt, 1/2 cup of white flour, 1 cup of milk, 1 tablespoon of melted butter, 4 apples cut in small pieces. Nut Brown Bread Two cups of sour milk, 1/2 cup of molasses in which has been dissolved 1 teaspoon of soda, 1/2 cup of sugar, 3 cups of whole wheat flour, 1 teaspoon of salt, mix thoroughly and add 1 cup of walnut meats cut in small pieces (not chopped), over which has been sprinkled 1 teaspoon of flour; bake in bread pans in slow oven for one hour. Eggless Ginger Bread One-half cup of shortening mixed with 1/2 cup of brown sugar, 1/2 cup of syrup; 2 teaspoons ginger; 2 1/2 cups of flour and 4 teaspoons of baking powder; 1/2 cup of boiling water. Beat well. Brown Bread One-half cup of cream; 2 1/2 cups of sour milk or buttermilk; a scant teaspoon of salt; scant teaspoon of soda, for each cup of milk; 1/2 cup of sugar 4 1/4 cups graham flour. Doughnuts One-half cup of cream; 1/2 cup of buttermilk; 1 teaspoon of soda; pinch of salt; 1 teaspoon grated nutmeg; small amount of cinnamon; 1 cup of sugar; enough flour to roll. Eggless Corn Muffins One cup of corn meal; 2 cups of flour; 1 tablespoon of lard; 1 tablespoon of butter; mix with flour as for pie crust; 2 tablespoons of brown sugar; 1 teaspoon of salt; 3 teaspoons of baking powder; moisten with milk. Eggless Devil's Food Cake Put one cup of boiling water over 4 tablespoons of cocoa; 1/2 cup sour milk; 1/2 cup of shortening; 2 cups of brown sugar; 1 teaspoon of soda; 2 1/2 cups of flour. Bake in layers. Ice Cream Without Eggs Two tablespoons of flour, well mixed with 2 cups of sugar; add 1 quart of rich milk; let the mixture come to boiling point in a double boiler, stirring it constantly to keep it from sticking; when cool add 1 quart of cream, 1 wineglass of brandy and a teaspoonful of vanilla and freeze. Carrot Pudding One cup of grated potato; 1 cup of grated carrot; 1 cup of suet; 1 cup of sugar; 1 1/4 cups of flour; 1 cup of raisins; 1 teaspoonful of soda; 1 cup of currants; 1 teaspoonful of all kinds of spices; steam 2 1/2 hours. Apple Sauce Cake One cup of sugar; 1/2 cup of butter pinch of salt; 1/2 teaspoonful cloves; 1/2 teaspoonful of nutmeg; 1/2 teaspoonful of cinnamon; 1 cup of sugar; apple sauce; 1 teaspoonful of soda; 1 cup of chopped raisins; 1 1/2 cups of flour. Eggless Salad Dressing One tablespoon of cornstarch; 2 tablespoons of mustard; 2 tablespoons of sugar; 1/2 to 1 cup of olive oil; 3 cups of vinegar; 1/2 cup of milk; cook in double boiler until thick like custard. Eggless Cookies One cup of granulated sugar; 1 cup of brown sugar; 1 cup of lard; mix together and add hot water with a teaspoon of soda; sift together flour, a teaspoon of salt, a little cinnamon, nutmeg, allspice and ginger; there should be enough flour added to make the dough stiff enough to roll out; let the mixture stand over night; roll out and bake the following morning. In this same recipe, anise may be substituted for allspice.

Many a man who uses his religion as a cloak can't keep his teeth from chattering.

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Syrup, Maple flavored, quart bottle only.....	29c
Preserves—famous White Bear brand, per quart only.....	22c
Buckwheat Flour, 10 pound sack only.....	50c
Peas, dry, quality fine, per pound only.....	5c
Sugar, 13 pounds only.....	\$1.00
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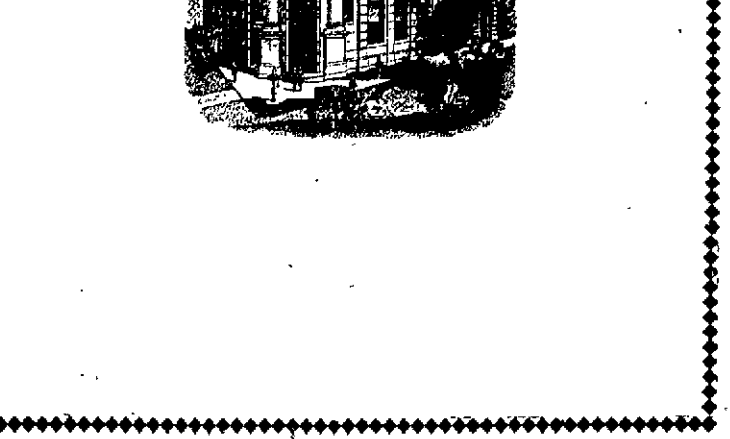
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## U. S. DIVER WRECKED

TWENTY-SIX SAILORS RESCUED  
FROM THE H-3 NEAR HUCO  
BOLDT BAY, CAL.

## GOES AGROUND IN DENSE FOG

Men Face Death by Suffocation Before  
Breeches-Buoy Line Is Made Fast—  
Disabled Engines Believed to Have  
Caused Accident.

Eureka, Cal., Dec. 16.—Five of the crew of the United States submarine H-3, which had been pounding in the surf north of here since dawn Thursday, with 25 men imprisoned in it, were brought ashore on a breeches-buoy. A short time after the remaining 21, including the two officers, were rescued by the same means.

In a dense fog the H-3 struck a sand pit 300 yards off shore. Just outside the entrance to Humboldt bay, while crawling down the coast from Eureka toward the north, the submarine ran aground on a sand bar. The H-3 was accompanied by the U. S. S. Cheyenne and the submarine H-1 and H-2. Officers of the Cheyenne said they believed that the accident was caused by the engines of the H-3 becoming disabled.

All day long, until the sea swept the frail little craft farther seaward, to a steeper position, the men of the H-3, bottled up as the hull was rattled around like a barrel, waited for the H-3 to be hauled to the surface. The great breakers began heaving the submarine over and back, its conning tower pounding the sandy bottom. Then it disappeared; the hatches were battered down, and crew and officers—26 in all—were prisoners in their bottleneck.

Watchers ashore could hear faintly above the great roar of the breakers the short "front, front, front" of the diver's air whistle, dying away as the air supply was exhausted. A telegraph operator thought he detected the start of a message in Morse by the diver's whistle.

A line was finally made fast to the H-3 when one of the crew crept out on deck, snatching the line as it fell across the bow. A breeches-buoy was rigged to take ashore the half-suffocated men packed in the conning tower for breath.

The H-3 was damaged, but two of the crew were injured, but packed in the tower to escape chlorine gas, generated when water leaked to the batteries.

## RUSS SMASH TEUTONIC LEFT

Capture Two Bridges in Belor Region of  
Falkenhayn's Wing—Ger-  
mans Take Mizil.

London, Dec. 14.—Russia's smash on Falkenhayn's left on the Moldavia front resulted on Tuesday of the capture of two bridges in the Belor region, says an official announcement from Petrograd. The troops of the czar are here engaged in an effort to turn the German Transylvanian flank before the Teutonic advance in Rumania reaches the Buzzeu river.

Mizil, on the Hoochitz-Duzen line, has been captured by the Austro-Germans, says an official statement. This post is about half way between Ploesti and the Buzzeu, a distance of about forty-five miles.

Russian losses in the wooded Carpathians for the last week are estimated by Vienna at 30,000 soldiers. German divisions are being shifted from Romania to other fronts, according to Petrograd, which dispatch is taken as meaning that the Teutons have gone as far as they can in King Ferdinand's domain.

## SENATE HONORS SAULSBURY

Delaware Man Is Elected President  
Pro Tem. of the Upper Branch  
of Congress.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Senator William Saulsbury (Dem.) of Delaware was elected president pro tempore of the senate on Thursday, receiving 41 votes to 22 for Senator Gallinger (Rep.) and 3 for Senator Clapp of Minnesota, the candidate of the Progressive-Republicans.

## THREE DIE IN MICHIGAN MINE

Frozen Cross-Head Causes Elevator  
Bucket to Fall With  
Occupants.

Marquette, Mich., Dec. 16.—An elevator bucket plunged 70 feet to the bottom of the shaft in the Holmes mine at Ishpeming on Thursday, killing three of its occupants and fatally injuring six others. A frozen cross-head was responsible for the accident.

Railway Earnings Increase.  
Washington, Dec. 15.—Net earnings of 187 principal railroads of the United States during September were \$107,910,814, the interstate commerce commission announced. During September, 1914, they were \$97,597,753.

Author of "Hot Time" Is Dead.  
Santa Rosa, Cal., Dec. 15.—Joseph T. Miles, author of the song famous as a Spanish war chant, "There'll Be a Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight," died here on Friday. He was nearly seventy years old.

Marine Insurance Soars.  
New York, Dec. 16.—War-risk marine insurance is now up to 15 per cent for Mediterranean shipments and from 8 to 10 per cent for transatlantic cargoes, with rates based on total valuation of ship and cargo.

Sleigh Bells in Dixie.  
Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 16.—Sleigh bells jingled in Memphis on Thursday for the first time during December in 20 years. Snow is three inches deep. Most of Mississippi also is covered with snow.

King Ferdinand at Rent.  
London, Dec. 14.—A Berlin dispatch says that King Ferdinand of Roumania arrived at Mont. Bessarrab (on the Danube) Sunday, and that Emperor Nicholas is expected there. Both are accompanied by ministers.

Put War Tax on Roumania.  
London, Dec. 14.—Telegraphing from Jassy, the new capital of Roumania, under date of December 9, the Times correspondent says: "The Germans have levied a war tax of \$400 a head on Bucharest."

## ADVANCE AT VERDUN

PARIS REPORTS CAPTURE OF 7,500  
GERMANS NORTH OF FORT  
DOUAIU ONT.

## LOSS ADMITTED BY BERLIN

General Nivelle Delivers First Stroke  
Against Kaiser's Forces Since His  
Appointment to Supreme Command  
—Troops Advance in Waves.

London, Dec. 15.—General Nivelle, France's man of action, has delivered his first stroke against the central powers since his appointment to supreme command. Dispatches from the Paris war office on Friday report an energetic offensive on the Verdun front, with impressive results. Berlin admits that in the new offensive the French have gained advantage on both sides of the Meuse.

Paris, Dec. 15, via London.—French troops in an advance north of Douaumont and between the Meuse and Woeyve rivers captured more than 7,500 prisoners and several heavy guns according to the French official communication issued here on Friday. The advance was over a front of ten kilometers and to a depth of three kilometers.

Berlin, Dec. 15, by wireless.—French attacks delivered on the east bank of the Meuse in the Verdun region resulted in a gain of ground for them toward Louvemont and Harmandmont, the supply line announced on Friday in a supplementary statement. The engagement has not yet been concluded.

The official statement reads: "On the east bank of the Meuse strong attacks by the French have been in progress, in which the enemy obtained advantage in the direction of Louvemont and Harmandmont. The fighting has not yet been terminated."

An earlier statement reads: "Western front, army group of the German crown prince.—On the west bank of the Meuse the French tried three times in vain to regain by attacks the trenches on Hill 304, southwest of Louvemont, captured by us a short time ago."

"East of the river, after strong artillery preparations extending far into the terrain behind the lines, they repeatedly launched attacks. The advance of the storming waves failed on Peper Ridge under our defensive fire. The attack on the south slopes before Fort Harmandmont was unable to be developed under our destructive fire."

## GREECE GRANTS ALL DEMANDS

Athens Dispatch Says Constantine Will  
Withdraw Troops From  
Thessaly.

London, Dec. 15.—The Greek government has accepted the ultimatum presented by the entente allies, says a dispatch from Athens to the Central News agency.

Athens (via London), Dec. 15.—The demands of the entente allies presented to the Greek government were in the nature of an ultimatum. All Greek troops are to be withdrawn from Thessaly, according to the demands, and only a certain number of soldiers are to be concentrated in Salonica.

The demands for repatriation for the events of December 1 and 2, when fighting took place between entente landing forces and Greek troops, are to be formulated later.

## BUZEU CAPTURED BY TEUTONS

Official Statement Says 4,000 More  
Prisoners Have Been Taken in  
Rumania.

Berlin, Dec. 15.—Field Marshal von Mackensen's army has captured the great railway center of Buzzeu, in northeastern Rumania, the German war office announced on Friday. Buzzeu lies about sixty miles northwest of Bucharest and is considered one of the main gateways to the Rumanian province of Moldavia. Three railroads converge there.

The capture of 4,000 additional Russo-Rumanian prisoners by the Ninth army is reported in the official statement.

## TORPEDO BOAT GRILSE SAFE

Canadian Craft, Believed Lost at Sea,  
Arrives at Northern Port Under  
Own Power.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 15.—The Canadian torpedo boat Grilse, formerly the American yacht Winchester, which was believed to have been lost with all hands off the coast in the storm Tuesday night, came into the harbor at Shelburne, 123 miles southeast of here, under its own power. Six members of its crew perished in the storm and a number of others were injured. The remainder, including all the officers, were reported safe.

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Judge Finds Ink Inane.  
Hammond, Ind., Dec. 14.—Judge Walter Hardy of the Lake county superior court pronounced Ink, who shot up the courthouse here a week ago and escaped three times, inane and ordered him committed to Michigan City.

Prussia in State of Siege.  
Amsterdam, Dec. 14.—General von Stren, the Prussian war minister, has appointed a general officer with powers including control of the conscription law, as well as other laws relating to a state of siege.

Prince Henri of Reuss Killed.  
Berlin, Dec. 15, via wireless.—Prince Henri of Reuss was killed in battle on November 29 on the Russian front. Prince Henri was twenty-four years of age and a lieutenant in a Prussian cavalry regiment.

Germany Seize Two Ships.  
Berlin, Dec. 15.—The Dutch steamship Catalonian and the Brazilian steamer Rio Grande have been seized by the Germans because they were carrying contraband cargoes to England. It was officially announced.

Annapolis Is Favored.  
Washington, Dec. 15.—The civilian advisory board has recommended to Secretary of the Navy Daniels that the authorized \$1,500,000 naval experimental laboratory be located at Annapolis.

Neenah Officer Is Suspended.  
Neenah—Henry Bando, a police officer has been suspended by Chief Charles Watts, pending investigation of charges filed against him.

Kenosha Plans New School.  
Kenosha—The Kenosha board of education voted to begin at once the erection of a \$75,000 school building on the north side of the city. It is planned to turn the Gillet school into a trade school. The site selected for the new school is the baseball park.

Early Settler Dead.  
Ashtabula—Michael Keating, one of the earliest pioneers and continuous residents on the same farm for over sixty years, died at the age of 90 years.

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## U.S. DIVER WRECKED

TWENTY-SIX SAILORS RESCUED  
FROM THE H-3 NEAR HUMBOLDT BAY, CAL.

## GOES AGROUND IN DENSE FOG

Men Face Death by Suffocation Before  
Breeches-Buoy Line Is Made Fast—  
Disabled Engines Believed to Have  
Caused Accident.

Bureau, Cal., Dec. 16.—Flee of the crew of the United States submarine H-3, which had been pounding in the surf north of here since dawn Thursday with 26 men imprisoned in it, were brought ashore on a breeches-buoy. A short time after the remaining 21, including the two officers, were rescued by the same means.

In a dense fog the H-3 struck a sand pit 300 yards off shore, just outside the entrance to Humboldt bay, while en route to the coast from the coast guard yard in San Francisco bay. It was accompanied by the U. S. S. Cheyenne and the submarines H-1 and H-2. Officers of the Cheyenne said they believed that the accident was caused by the engines of the H-3 becoming disabled.

All day long, until the sea swept the frail little craft further seaward, the crew, in a desperate position, the men of the H-3, bottled up in the hull, were cut off from the outside world. One by one they died, and the bodies of the men were seen floating in the water. The bodies of the men were seen floating in the water. The bodies of the men were seen floating in the water.

Watches were heard to ring faintly above the groan and roar of the breakers. The short "foot, foot, foot" of the diver's air whistle, dying away as the air supply was exhausted. A telegraph operator thought he detected the start of a message in Morse by the diver's whistle.

A line was finally made fast to the H-3 when one of the crew crept out on deck, snatching the line as it fell across the bow. A breeches-buoy was rigged to take ashore the half-suffocated men packed in the conning tower for breath.

The H-3 was damaged, but two of the crew were injured, but packed in the lower to conserve chlorine gas, generated when water leaked to the batteries.

## RUSS SMASH TEUTONIC LEFT

Capture Two Ridges in Belgor Region of Falkenhayn's Wing—Germans Take Mizil.

London, Dec. 16.—Russia's smash on Falkenhayn's left on the Moldavian front resulted on Thursday of the capture of two ridges in the Belgor region, says an official announcement from Petrograd. The troops of the czar are here engaged in an effort to turn the German Transylvanian flank before the Teutonic advance in Roumania reaches the Dniester river.

Mizil, on the Ploesti-Buzov line, has been captured by the Austro-Germans, says an official statement. This point is about half way between Ploesti and the Dniester, a distance of about forty-five miles.

Instant losses in the wooded Carpathians for the last week are estimated by Vienna at 30,000 soldiers. German divisions are being shifted from Roumania to other fronts, according to Petrograd, which dispatch is taken as meaning that the Teutons have gone as far as they can in the King Ferdinand's domain.

## SENATE HONORS SAULSBURY

Delaware Man Is Elected President Pro Tem of the Upper Branch of Congress.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Senator William S. Saulsbury (Dem.) of Delaware was elected president pro tempore of the senate on Thursday evening at 4 o'clock to succeed William C. Cullum (Rep.) of New York. Senator Cullum of Minnesota, the candidate of the Progressive-Republicans.

## THREE DIE IN MICHIGAN MINE

Frozen Cross-Head Causes Elevator Bucket to Fall With Occupants.

Marquette, Mich., Dec. 16.—An elevator bucket plunged 70 feet to the bottom of the shaft in the United States mine on Thursday, killing three of its occupants and fatally injuring six others. A frozen cross-head was responsible for the accident.

## Railway Earnings Increase

Washington, Dec. 16.—Net earnings of 187 principal railroads of the United States during September were \$107,010,814, the latest official estimate of the Interstate Commerce commission announced. During September, 1914 they were \$97,597,783.

## Author of "Hot Time" Is Dead

Santa Rosa, Cal., Dec. 16.—Joseph T. Miles, author of the song famous as a Spanish war chant, "There'll Be a Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight," died here on Friday. He was nearly seventy years old.

## Marine Insurance Soars

New York, Dec. 16.—War-risk marine insurance is now up to 15 per cent for Mediterranean shipments and from 8 to 10 per cent for transatlantic cargoes, with rates based on total value of ship and cargo.

## Sleigh Bells in Dixie

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 16.—Sleigh bells jingled in Memphis on Thursday for the first time during December in 20 years. Snow is three inches deep. Most of Mississippi also is covered with snow.

## King Ferdinand at Rens

London, Dec. 14.—A Berlin dispatch says that King Ferdinand of Roumania arrived at Rens, Bessarabia (on the Danube) Sunday, and that Emperor Nicholas is expected there. Both are accompanied by ministers.

## Put War Tax on Roumania

London, Dec. 14.—Telegraphing from Jassy, the new capital of Roumania, under date of December 11, the Times correspondent says: "The Germans have levied a war tax of \$400 a head on Bucharest."

## ADVANCE AT VERDUN

PARIS REPORTS CAPTURE OF 7,500  
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DOUAIU ONT.

## LOSS ADMITTED BY BERLIN

General Nivelle Delivers First Stroke  
Against Kaiser's Forces Since His  
Appointment to Supreme Command—  
Troops Advance in Waves.

London, Dec. 18.—General Nivelle, France's man of action, has delivered his first stroke against the central powers since his appointment to supreme command. Dispatches from the Paris war office on Friday report an energetic offensive on the Verdun front, with impressive results. Berlin admits that in the new offensive the French have gained advantage on both sides of the River Meuse.

Paris, Dec. 18, via London.—French troops in an advance north of Douaumont and between the Meuse and Woivre rivers captured more than 7,500 prisoners and several heavy guns, according to the French official communication issued here on Friday. The advance was over a front of ten kilometers and to a depth of three kilometers.

Berlin, Dec. 18, by wireless.—French attacks delivered on the east bank of the Meuse in the Verdun region resulted in a gain of ground for them toward Loisy and Houdoumont, the war office announced on Friday in a supplementary statement. The engagement has not yet been concluded.

The official statement reads: "On the east bank of the Meuse strong attacks by the French have been in progress, in which the enemy obtained advantage in the direction of Loisy and Houdoumont. The fighting has not yet been terminated."

An earlier statement reads: "Western front, army group of the German crown prince.—On the west bank of the Meuse the French tried three times in vain to regain by attacks the trenches on Hill 304, south-east of Maunout, captured by us a short time ago."

"East of the river, after strong artillery preparations extending far into the terrain behind the lines, they repeatedly launched attacks. The advance of the storming waves failed on Hill 304 under our defensive fire. The attack on the south slopes before Fort Houdoumont was unable to be developed under our destructive fire."

## GREECE GRANTS ALL DEMANDS

Athens Dispatch Says Constantine Will  
Withdraw Troops From  
Thessaly.

London, Dec. 18.—The Greek government has accepted the ultimatum presented by the entente allies, says a dispatch from Athens to the Central News agency.

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## BUZEU CAPTURED BY TEUTONS

Official Statement Says 4,000 More  
Prisoners Have Been Taken in  
Roumania.

Berlin, Dec. 18.—Field Marshal von Mackensen's army has captured the great railway center of Buzeu, in northeastern Roumania, the German war office announced on Friday. Buzeu lies about sixty miles northeast of Bucharest and is considered one of the main gateways to the Roumanian province of Moldavia. Three railroads converge there.

The capture of 4,000 additional Russo-Roumanian prisoners by the Ninth army is reported in the official statement.

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## THE NEW MASTER



## EXCLUSION BILL WINS

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT ADOPTED  
IN THE SENATE.

Geographical Areas Prescribed From  
Which Immigrants Will Be Barred—  
Shuts Out Hindus.

Washington, Dec. 14.—The senate adopted the committee amendment to the immigration bill which would bar Hindus and certain other Asiatics without mentioning them by name. The bill also provides that nothing in the act shall be construed to repeal any existing law, treaty or agreement which serves to prohibit or restrict immigration.

This added stipulation, proposed by Senator Phelan of California, is designed to replace the direct reference to the so-called "gentleman's agreement" with Japan, which was stricken out of the house bill by the senate committee at the request of the state department.

The committee amendment prescribes certain geographical areas from which immigrants shall not be admitted instead of naming races or nationalities as was done in the bill as it passed the house.

During the debate Senator Lodge and Senator Phelan engaged in a lively colloquy, the former insisting that it was needless to insert in the bill any reference to agreements because they would not strengthen the position of the United States.

Senator Reed's amendment to exclude African blacks from the United States was defeated by a vote of 32 to 37. When the senate adjourned there was pending another amendment by Senator Reed to exclude all persons who came to the United States for temporary employment as laborers, intending to return to their native land.

## 46 HURT IN BOAT CRASH

Steamer Powhatan and Unidentified  
Vessel Collide in Chesapeake Bay.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 15.—The Merchant and Miners' steamer Powhatan, bound from Norfolk for Providence, R. I., reported by wireless on Wednesday that 46 of her passengers and crew had been injured when the boat was in collision with an unidentified vessel off Thimble shoals, Chesapeake bay, and that the ship had been beached to prevent it from sinking.

Later wireless messages reported that the Old Dominion liner Jamestown had arrived and taken on board the injured and all the Powhatan's passengers.

## 20 MINERS KILLED BY BLAST

Explosion Wrecks Shaft at Stone City,  
Kan.—Thirty-Nine Men Trapped  
in Drifts.

Pittsburg, Kan., Dec. 15.—Twenty men lost their lives on Wednesday in an explosion which wrecked the Reedy & Ryan coal mine at Stone City. Mine officials declared 39 men were trapped in the drifts.

## Cut Wires in Phone Strike

Toledo, O., Dec. 15.—The Ohio State Telephone company announced that since the strike of its operators and linemen began three weeks ago, 4,000 wires have been cut by rioters, rendering that number of telephones useless.

## Mischa Elman Hurt in Taxi

New York, Dec. 16.—Mischa Elman, the violinist, was injured, although not seriously, when a taxi in which he was riding collided with a street car. His scalp was cut in two places by flying glass.

## Allies Lose Many Vessels

Berlin, Dec. 16.—The destruction of the French cruiser Suffren brings the naval losses of the allies up to 192 vessels since the beginning of the war. It was announced through the Overseas News agency.

## Kidnaped Captain Is Safe

Washington, Dec. 15.—Amel Vogel, German consul at Colima, Mex., reported kidnaped by Mexican bandits, has returned to Colima, according to Admiral Capetown. Vogel was reported held for \$15,000 ransom.

## Prince Henri of Reuss Killed

Berlin, Dec. 15, via wireless.—Prince Henri of Reuss was killed in a battle on November 23 on the Russian front. Prince Henri was twenty-four years of age and a lieutenant in a Prussian cavalry regiment.

## Prussia in State of Siege

Amsterdam, Dec. 14.—General von Stein, the Prussian war minister, has appointed a general officer with powers including control of the censorship law, as well as other laws relating to a state of siege.

## Judge Finds Ink Insane

Hammond, Ind., Dec. 14.—Judge Walter Hardy of the Lake county superior court pronounced ink, who shot up the courthouse here a week ago and wounded three, insane and ordered him committed to Michigan City.

## VOTE DOWN NEW EQUITY SOCIETY

RESOLUTIONS TO ESTABLISH ASSOCIATION ADOPTED, RECONSIDERED AND KILLED.

## OPPOSED TO ARMY MEASURE

Claim That Reorganization Bill As  
Drafted Would Hurt Agriculture  
Districts—Headquarters to  
Stay at Wausau.

Wausau.—The American Society of Equity, in convention here, adopted a resolution to establish the Equity Cooperative Association of the United States, and later when the matter was reconsidered the resolution was killed by a large majority.

It was intended that the new organization should supplant the American Cooperative association.

The Hay-Chamberlain army reorganization bill was protested, and S. H. Blanton was named to go to Washington to see the president and members of congress personally in effort to have the measure defeated. It was claimed that the bill as drafted would seriously hurt the agricultural districts, and that militarism is directly opposed to co-operation.

A resolution was adopted favoring the consolidation of township and country high schools. A legislative committee was authorized to be maintained at Washington during all sessions of congress.

The proposition to remove the headquarters of the society from Wausau to St. Paul was lost by a large vote.

## IS HELD FOR WIFE'S DEATH

Delavan Man Is Taken by Chief of Police  
Several Weeks After  
Death of Woman.

Elkhorn.—Louis Smith of Delavan, is being held here in the county jail without bail, facing a charge of first degree murder, following the finding of his wife's body hanging from a lamp.

Smith was arrested while at work on a warrant obtained by Chief of Police Davis of Delavan. Smith maintains his innocence.

He says he was awakened early on the morning of Nov. 26 by the crying of his infant child. He couldn't find his wife, he said, and started to look through the house when he was startled to find her body hanging from a lamp.

A coroner's jury at the time of the finding did not recommend that any one be held in connection with the case. Its verdict was that Mrs. Smith had come to her death by strangulation. Sentiment in Delavan is said to be high against Smith, however, and it is believed that relatives of the dead woman have been instrumental in securing the husband's arrest.

## Held for Forgery

Green Bay.—William Moede and George Hoffman of Luxemburg are being held by the sheriff in the city on the charge of forgery. It is alleged that they passed checks at several local business houses and obtained approximately \$150.

Cremery Is Sold.—Fred Kresse has sold his creamery at West Plattefield to Maurice Winer of Boston, who will devote it to the manufacture of unsalted butter for the Jewish market in Boston.

## U. S. WHEAT 639,886,000 BU.

Crop Report Shows Decrease in Wheat  
and Increase in Corn—Figures  
on Other Grains.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Final estimates of this year's production of the country's principal farm crops, announced by the department of agriculture, are:

Corn, 2,583,241,000 bushels, compared with 2,732,457,000, the 1910-14 average.

Wheat, 639,886,000 bushels, compared with 728,225,000, the five-year average.

Oats, 1,251,992,000 bushels, compared with 1,157,961,000, the 1910-14 average.

Barley, 180,927,000, against 186,208,000.

Rye, 4,388,000, against 37,568,000.

## WILSON APPROVES SENTENCE

President O. K.'s Punishment Given  
New Mexico Militiamen for Fail-  
ure to Serve on Border.

Washington, Dec. 15.—President Wilson approved the action of army court-martial in sentencing Lewis O. Gardner of New Mexico militia to dishonorable discharge and a year in prison at hard labor, for failure to obey the federal call for border duty, but remitted the prison sentence because the case had been pressed as a test.

## Pershing to Be Promoted

Washington, Dec. 13.—In acknowledgment of his service in Mexico, President Wilson on Friday afternoon recommended the promotion of Brig. Gen. John J. Pershing to be a major general.

## Would Reduce "Oleo" Tax

Washington, Dec. 18.—Another high-cost-of-living measure—one to reduce the tax on oleomargarine from 10 cents a pound to 2 cents and to repeal the license tax on oleomargarine manufacturers—was introduced in the house.

## Wilson and Wife Shopping

Washington, Dec. 16.—The president and Mrs. Wilson went Christmas shopping together for the first time. During their walk they were recognized by many shoppers and Mr. Wilson was kept busy returning greetings.

## Prince Weds American Girl

Washington, Dec. 16.—Miss Catherine A. Britton of this city and Prince Alfred von Hohenlohe-Schillingsfuerst, accredited to the Austro-Hungarian embassy, were married here. They will reside in San Francisco.

## Germans Seize Two Ships

Berlin, Dec. 15.—The Dutch steamship Celestion and the Brazilian steamer Rio Pardo have been seized by the Germans because they were carrying contraband cargoes to England. It was officially announced.

## Annapolis Is Favored

Washington, Dec. 15.—The civilian advisory board has recommended to Secretary of the Navy Daniels that the authorized \$1,500,000 naval experimental laboratory be located at Annapolis.

## PLANS STORAGE REGULATION

Senator Burke, Green Bay, to Intro-  
duce Bill in Coming Legislature  
to Give State Control.

## WILL REORGANIZE WISCONSIN GUARD

ADJUT. GEN. HOLWAY RECEIVES  
FACTS ON WHAT WISCON-  
SIN MUST DO.

Madison.—Senator Timothy Burke of Green Bay will introduce a bill in the coming legislature calling for state control of cold storage plants and containing a provision giving the attorney general authority to prosecute any corporation guilty of holding food for advance in price.

"I think the time is ripe for the state to step in and take hold of this thing," said Senator Burke. "Although this has been a poor season for crops, I am convinced that there is large quantities of produce held in storage plants and warehouses against a rise in price. It has got to the point where the people can not stand it any longer, and I am sure the legislature will look with favor on a measure calling for strict regulation of dealers handling food products."

Senator Burke will also introduce a number of bills affecting industrial life in the state. One of them will call for an increase of from 25 to 29 per cent in the compensation for injury schedules for all visible injuries. Another, or probably a provision in the same bill, will take up cumulative damage.

The present schedule calls for a certain sum for the loss of, for example, each finger. The loss of three fingers is compensated for by an added sum. The loss of the hand is compensated for by the loss of the hand. The loss of the hand is compensated for by the loss of the hand.

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## DISCUSS STATE PROHIBITION

Temperance Organizations Start Fight  
for Referendum Vote on  
Question.

Milwaukee.—First steps in an organized fight to secure a prohibition vote on state prohibition were taken at a meeting of representatives of the temperance organizations of the state at the Y. M. C. A. Plans for a mass meeting at Madison the week of Jan. 21 were discussed.

A committee to plan the program and to shape the business of the conference in the dry movement will be organized. The committee consists of the Rev. J. S. McLean, superintendent of the Anti-Saloon league; William T. Ely, Madison; the Rev. Henry Stauffer, Appleton; Mrs. W. A. Larson, Milwaukee; and the Rev. J. C. Hogan, Oshkosh.

## WILL OPPOSE BLUE SKY LAW

Polish National Fire Insurance Co.  
Lawsuits Will Be Prosecuted.

Madison.—Attorney Hope Thompson of Chicago representing the Polish National Fire Insurance company now being organized in this city, told insurance Commissioner M. J. Clary that the company will not obey the mandate of the Badger blue sky law which permits the expenditure of not more than 15 per cent of the sale price of stocks to be paid for commissions and organization purposes. Mr. Clary advised Mr. Thompson that if the agents of his client come into Wisconsin and violate the blue sky law they will be arrested and prosecuted.

Mr. Thompson contended that the blue sky law was unconstitutional as the charge of force and fraud in the sale of securities is not a crime under the laws of the state.

Will Hold "U" Prom in Capitol.—Madison Gov. Philip issued a permit to the junior class of the University of Wisconsin to use the new capitol building for its junior promenade on Feb. 9. The dancing will be in the central portion of the building under the big dome. Refreshments will be served in the restaurant in the basement of the building.

Plan Extensive Road Building.—Kenosha.—Kenosha promises to make a bid for being the banner road building county in 1917. Three towns appealed to the county highway commission for road bonds totaling \$85,000, all of the money to be expended in 1917. This will mean a total expenditure of \$218,000.

Few Respond to Call.—Racine.—Racine's motor ambulance corps is in the making, but only nine men were in evidence at the Commercial club after the meeting had been extensively advertised, and the object boomed.

Secure City Ambulance.—Rice Lake.—Through the efforts of the Fortnighly and Mothers' clubs a \$1,500 ambulance has been given the city by Mrs. Britton of Deloit. It will reach here Dec. 30.

First to Pay Tax.—Marquette.—The Rev. F. G. Tulley, pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes church, was the first Marquette man to pay his income tax. Father Tulley handed the city treasurer a check for \$5.99.

School Is Insured.—Madison.—The board of education of the city of Eau Claire has insured the new second ward school house in that city in the state fire insurance fund for \$20,000. This represents 40 per cent of the value.

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